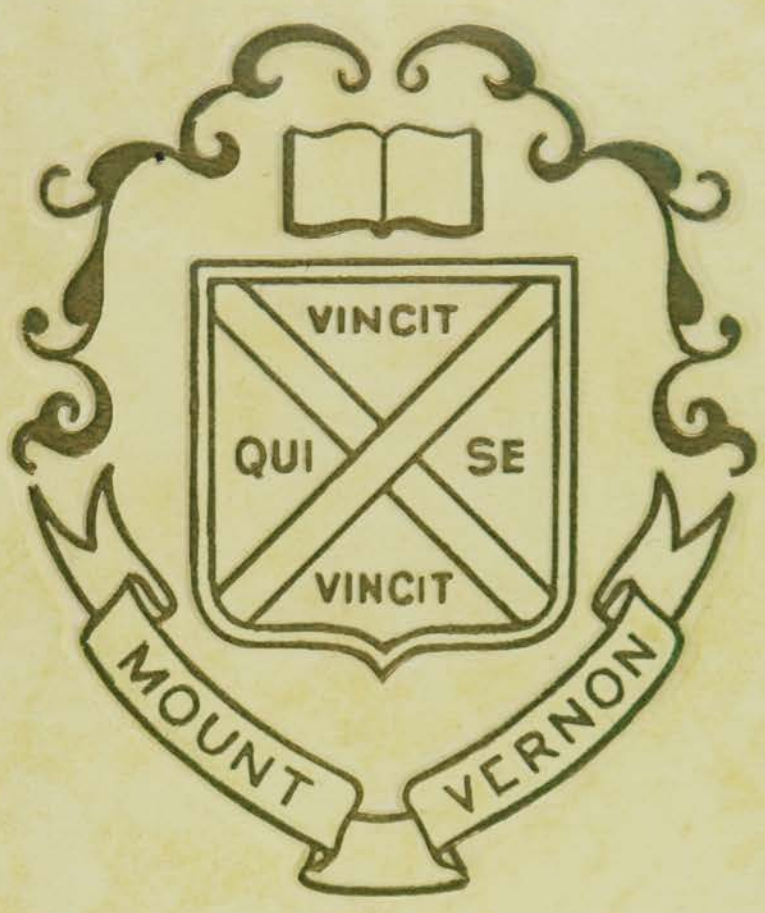
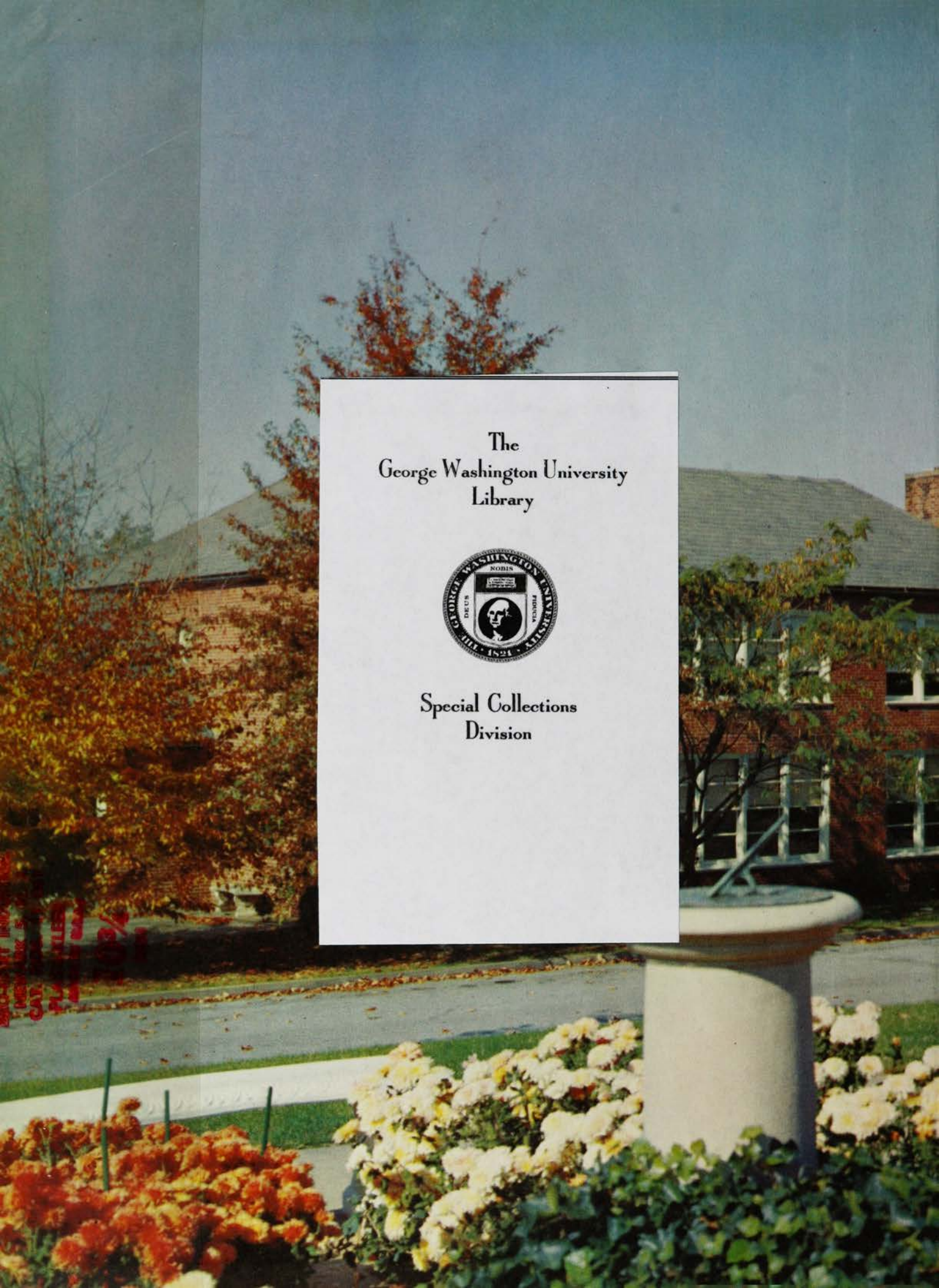


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Mr. and Mrs. George W. Lloyd

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADMISTRESS

". . . All the business of life is to find out what you don't know by what you do; that's what I called 'guessing what was on the other side of the hill'." Duke of Wellington (Croker Papers 1885)

These lines sum up in a telling way what these four years have meant to you and to those of us who have worked with you. We have been trying to help you find out what you don't know by what you do. Sometimes in our satisfaction over what we do, we forget that larger purpose—the revealing to us of what we don't know. And now, a hillside is immediately ahead—the hillside we have been approaching together. No one of us knows what lies on the other side of the hill, but, as you pass round it, we hope and believe that you carry with you the equipment to meet whatever it may be — high-hearted courage, a sense of values, the love of learning for its own sake, the willingness to try and fail if needs be—and try again.

A visitor to the little Scottish Island of Iona talked of her trip to her old gardener when she returned to the mainland. "Ah," she said, "Iona is a very thin place. There is very little between Iona and the Lord." This gift we pray may also be yours, a sense of the nearness and reality of God. May you find the land on the other side of the hill a very thin place, and may you know that there is very little between the new country which is to be yours and the Lord.

Our love goes with you all—gratitude for what we have shared together and a prayer that you will find the other side of the hill a sunny and blessed place in which to grow and live.

Olwen Lloyd.

INTRODUCTION



The motto of Mount Vernon Seminary is the Latin inscription, "Vincit qui se vincit," "he conquers who conquers self."

This motto plays a very important part in the life of each person at Mount Vernon. Success in any phase of school activity depends largely upon a comprehension and observance of the ideas in this motto. For this reason it has been chosen for the theme of the 1959 yearbook.

To conquer one's self is a large demand, an accomplishment that takes many years of effort; but the foundation of that accomplishment is laid at school through the series of everyday events in which everyone takes part.

A conquering of one's self requires an understanding of one's strengths and weaknesses, and the desire to live and work harmoniously with one's fellow human beings. As each girl meets the obligations and undertakes the tasks presented to her at Mount Vernon, she discovers many of her capabilities and limitations. And in associating closely with students and teachers, she learns the importance of showing them sympathy and understanding, and of always being able to offer and receive assistance and advice.

In the introductory section of each part of this yearbook is shown the way in which the motto pertains to sections of school life and to the people who make them up.

DEDICATION

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Student Council of Mount Vernon Seminary in its efforts to uphold the standards of the school.

By outlining the Honor Code, the Student Council has sought to bring a clearer understanding and a more complete knowledge of its purpose, thereby gaining the greater support of the student body. In student body meetings and assemblies the Council has urged active and constructive participation concerning the observance of regulations, in order to stimulate a greater interest among the students in the creation of a finer school.

It is a goal each year to establish the Student Council more firmly as an effective and democratic part of our government, so that it may enjoy full cooperation and respect.

OUR ADVISORS

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to Mademoiselle Bounous who has helped to make this last and most important year at Mount Vernon one to be remembered with happiness and satisfaction. With patience, dignity, and understanding she has eased us over the troubled spots during the year.

With her support and advice we were able to give a Junior-Senior party and a Valentine Dance, both of which we are certain were considered successful. "Mademoiselle" dealt with all of our problems perceptively and thoughtfully and has been present when we have needed help.

In addition to being a wonderful advisor, however, she has taught French to many of us during our years at Mount Vernon. Through gentle, yet firm words from "Mademoiselle" we were encouraged to work hard and to do our best in her classes.

We are thankful to Mrs. Jenney, who helped our class establish itself in our freshman year, and to Miss Miller, who guided us through the next two years.



Mademoiselle Bounous

But, most of all, we are grateful to "Mademoiselle" for being a sincere and understanding friend and advisor to all of us.

CAMPUS



Mount Vernon's campus, with its informal grace and congenial atmosphere, is the setting for the endless and varied experiences that lead to a more complete understanding of one's self, an understanding enhanced by reflection upon the activities, ideas, and people that flourish within the school's boundaries. Acheson Hall and the academic building provide opportunity for the conquering of ignorance, intolerance, and mental laziness; as the dances, athletics, assemblies and chapel services in Lloyd Hall bring a fuller appreciation of organization, social

congeniality, sportsmanship, and worship. Knowing one's self cannot be accomplished without human sympathy and companionship, qualities to be developed and practiced within the dormitories, Refectory, and Field House. Mount Vernon's compact and self-contained campus encompasses a fast moving little world of questions, decisions, and challenges that leave the individual with the basic understanding of herself necessary to conquer successfully the more demanding problems of later life.





POST HALL



LLOYD HALL



FIELD HOUSE



Furman Builders

ACHESON SCIENCE HALL



AMES HALL AND REFECTORY



SOMERS HOUSE

FACULTY

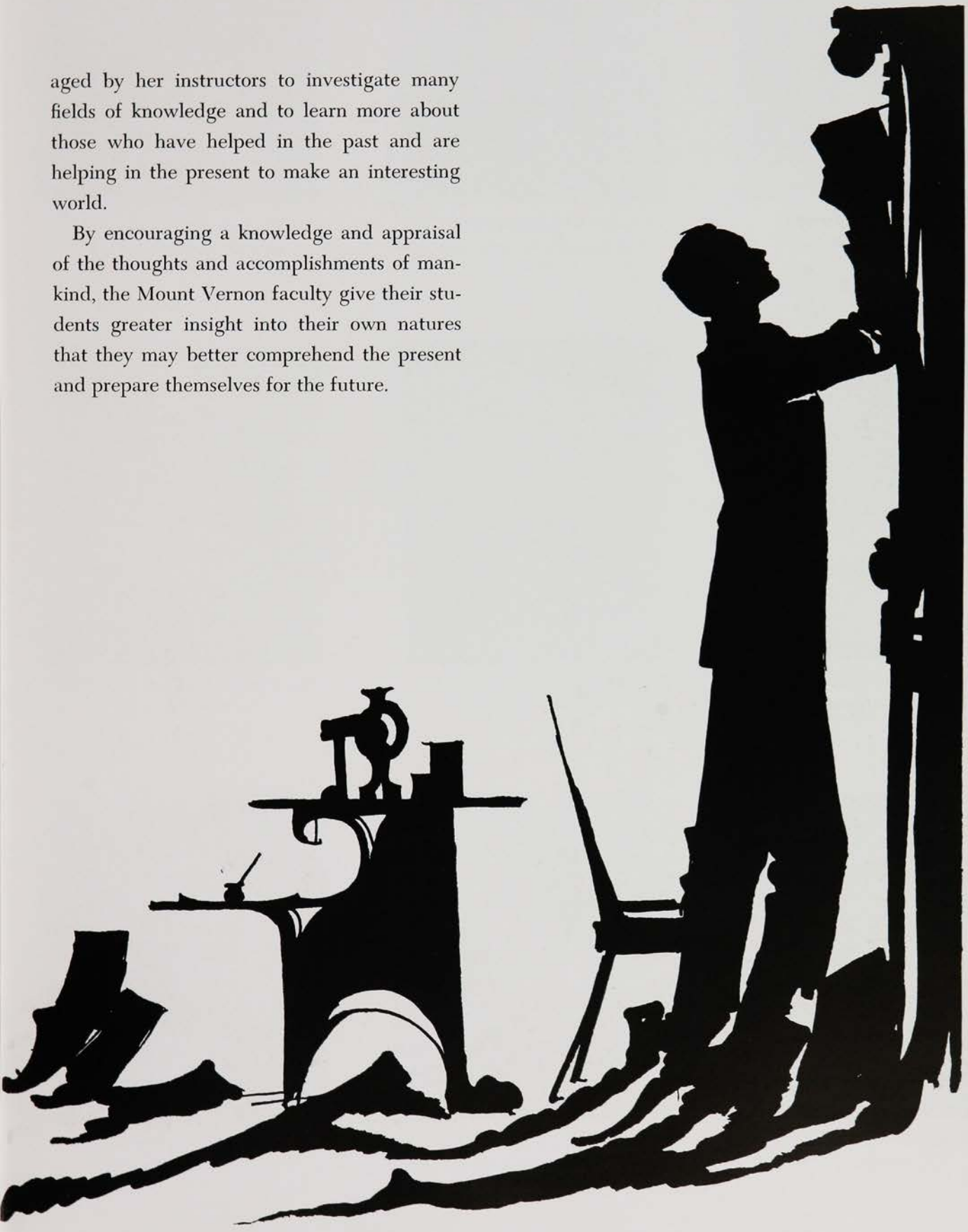


Mount Vernon is fortunate in having a faculty of men and women dedicated to their profession and possessing the desire and ability to guide their students towards a thorough understanding of themselves, of others, and of the world about them.

Through both class and individual instruction and advice, the faculty offer every opportunity for the development of intellectual curiosity and the framing of one's thoughts in a broadminded and intelligent way. In the forming of these ideas, the student is encour-

aged by her instructors to investigate many fields of knowledge and to learn more about those who have helped in the past and are helping in the present to make an interesting world.

By encouraging a knowledge and appraisal of the thoughts and accomplishments of mankind, the Mount Vernon faculty give their students greater insight into their own natures that they may better comprehend the present and prepare themselves for the future.





Miss Jean E. Ayers
Housemother



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Mlle. Jenny A. Bounous
French, Form IV Advisor



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Athletic Association



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History



Mrs. Fuller O. Griffith
English, Ancient History, Form I Advisor



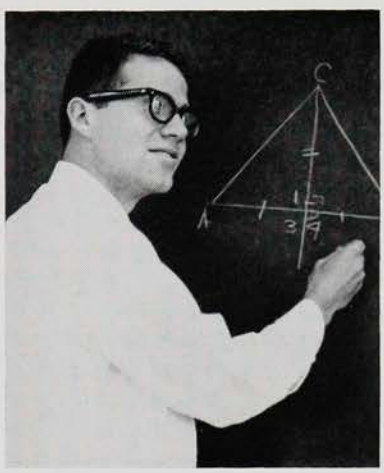
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Sculpture



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Mathematics, Cellophane



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Mathematics



Mrs. Stuart Little
Assistant Dietician



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Latin



Mrs. Charles W. Lowry
English, History, Bible



Mrs. Catherine MacDougall
Housemother



Mrs. Charles Massey
Bookstore Manager,
Day Student Advisor



Mrs. Robert McLeod
Physical Education



Mme. Joseph A. Mikus
French



Miss Mordena Millar
Housemother, Social League



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Painting



Miss Muriel C. Seelye
English, Form III Advisor



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Home Economics, Family Living



Miss Nelle Snow
Nurse



Mrs. Mary Spence
Executive Secretary to the Headmistress



Miss Helen Tucker
English, Carousel, Housemother



Mrs. Jared Wood
Librarian, Library Council

REMAINING FACULTY AND STAFF

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Mr. Harlan Laufman *Piano, Organ*

Mrs. John A. Willoughby *French*

Mrs. William C. Rosen *Physical Education*

Miss Elizabeth Thomas *Assistant Librarian*

Mrs. Leonard Maurer *Alumnae Secretary*

Mrs. John A. Hadley *Housemother, Lend-A-Hand*

Mrs. John B. Hodgkin *Nurse*

Mrs. Vera MacKrill *Secretary to the President*

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

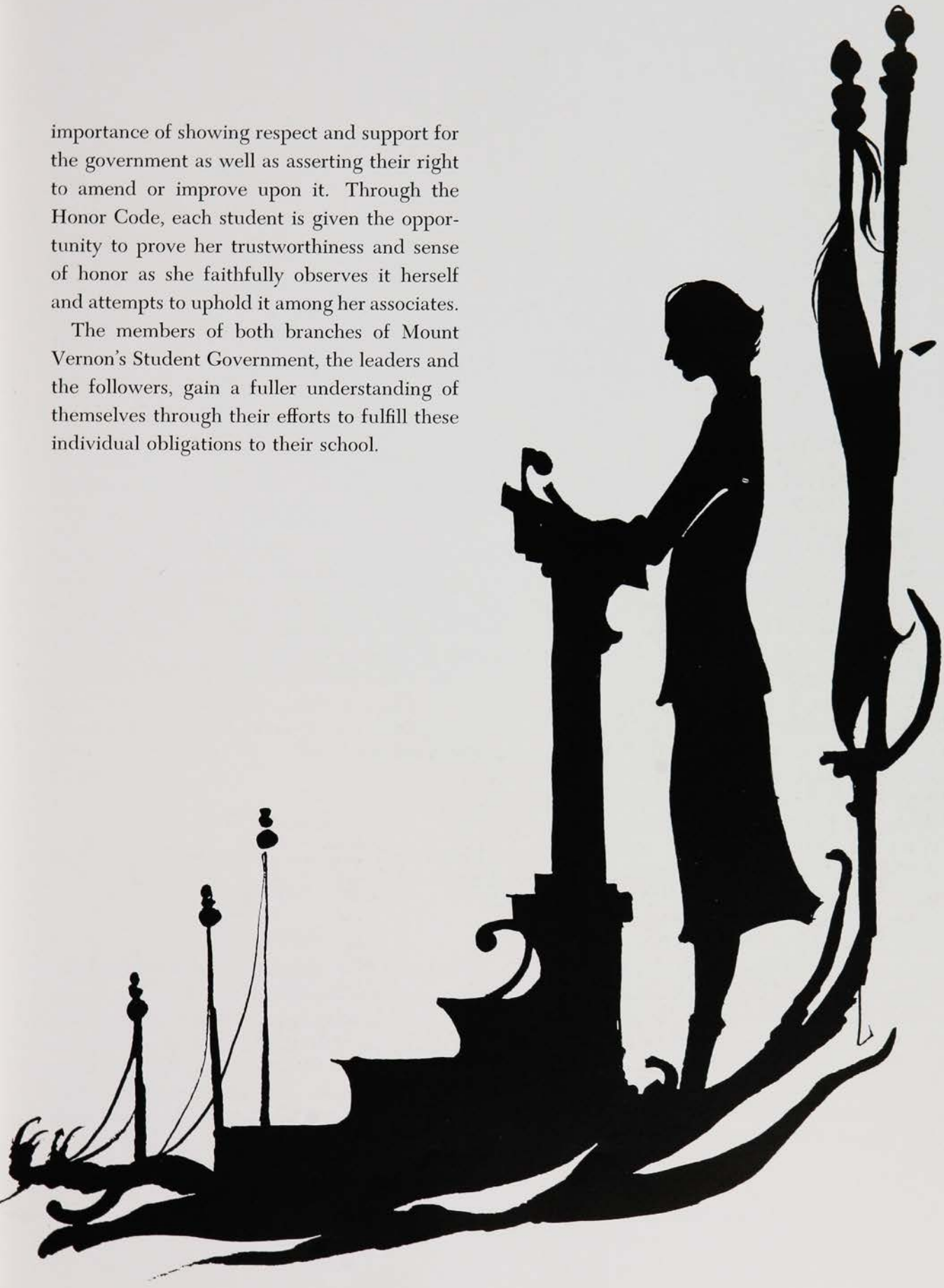


The executive branch of Mount Vernon's Student Government is composed of girls chosen to lead the student body towards a fuller understanding and observance of the school's standards. As leaders, they themselves must practice constant self-discipline in order to set an admirable example for others. They must learn to accept the responsibilities of their offices with humility, and must strive to guide not as dictators but as counsellors with an attitude of firm but sympathetic authority.

The student body in its turn learns the

importance of showing respect and support for the government as well as asserting their right to amend or improve upon it. Through the Honor Code, each student is given the opportunity to prove her trustworthiness and sense of honor as she faithfully observes it herself and attempts to uphold it among her associates.

The members of both branches of Mount Vernon's Student Government, the leaders and the followers, gain a fuller understanding of themselves through their efforts to fulfill these individual obligations to their school.



CONSTITUTION

Article I

The name of the council shall be the Student Council of Mount Vernon Seminary.

Article II

Section 1. The purpose of the Council shall be to interpret the needs and the opinion of the student body, to establish and maintain standards of citizenship which the student body will follow, and to recommend to the faculty rules and changes suggested and supported by the student body.

Section 2. The duties of the Council are to set an example for the school by sincerely trying to carry out all regulations and thus earning the right to enforce them, to make clear what is expected of each student so that we may live in closer understanding and harmony, and to be the judicial body of the school. This last includes seeing that the rules are obeyed, trying to find out why a certain rule is disobeyed, and, if necessary, disciplining the offenders (with the consent of the Headmistress and the Administration). Another duty is to orient new students. This includes appointing a student advisor for the first form until they have officers of their own, being hostesses at an introductory party for the new students, and being personally responsible for the new students, seeing that they become acquainted with the school. During the fall of each school year, the Student Council will present the Honor Assembly, at which time students will pledge their loyalty to the honor code of Mount Vernon by signing the Honor Pledge. Other duties are to nominate candidates for the citizenship honor rolls, to attend all student and school functions possible in order to promote more interest, to enforce dress regulations, to maintain order in the study hall and library, to maintain order in chapel, to assist extracurricular activities if they desire the Council's help, and to read and be responsible for living up to the constitution.

Article III

Section 1. The members of the council shall be: the Student Body President, the President of Optima, a student body representative (elected from the first three forms), and the president and vice-president of each of the four forms.

Section 2. The Headmistress of the preparatory school shall be an honorary member of the council.

Section 3. The Student Body President shall be the presiding officer, and the Optima President shall preside in her absence. The Student Body Representative shall be the secretary and treasurer.

Section 4. At least one faculty member, nominated by the Council and appointed by the Headmistress, shall be advisor to the Council. The faculty advisor(s) shall serve for one year and may be eligible for re-election.

Section 5. Each member of the council shall have one vote, except the presiding officer. The Headmistress, has veto power.

Article IV

The Council shall have as many meetings a month as necessary.

Article V

The qualifications to be met by a student to merit a place on the Citizenship Honor Rolls are loyalty to the school, integrity, dependability, courtesy, thoughtfulness, constructive participation in school functions and class activities, good sportsmanship, commendable speech, behavior, attitude and dress —both in school and off-campus—excellent house record if the student is a boarder, and nomination and unanimous vote by the council.



Seated, left to right: Kay Patterson, Penny Millington, Nancy Barnes, President; Chris Thomson, Joan Brown, Secretary-Treasurer. *Standing:* Ann Leith, Sue Campbell, Gail Kredel, Sue Eastland, Linda Kefauver, Duch Morton, Genie Higgins. *Absent:* Miss Gutheim, Advisor; Marta Miller, Vice-President.

STUDENT COUNCIL

To help the students understand and maintain the citizenship rules and standards is the main function of Mount Vernon's Student Council. The Council also sees that these rules are obeyed and, when necessary, revised.

The size of the Student Council has increased this year with the addition of the President of the Day Students and the President of House Council. The other members are the presidents and vice-presidents of each class, President of Optima, student body representative, and the President of the Student Body, who this year was Nancy Barnes. The Council's advisor is Miss Gutheim.

These council members have many duties throughout the year. At the beginning of the year they come back a day early to help orient the new boarders to Mount Vernon and Mount Vernon life. They are hostesses to visitors to our school. Also, after each report period, it is the duty of the Student Council with the help of class advisors to nominate candidates for the citizenship lists.

It is the ultimate hope of the Student Council that each student will realize the responsibility of being a good citizen and will maintain the principles of Mount Vernon Seminary.

HOUSE COUNCIL

"Oh, the house regulations are so strict! How will I ever learn to follow the rules?" These are the usual complaints of all the new boarders, but with the help of the members of the House Council the rules concerning dress, room inspection, quiet hours, study hall, permissions, and visitors have before long become second nature to them.

The House Council is composed of a chairman, secretary, and five student proctors appointed at the end of each report period. This past year the chairman has been Duch Morton and the secretary, Rudy Borland.

Throughout the year the Council holds house meetings in which all the boarders discuss the general behavior and the restrictions for students who have failed to abide by the rules. On the lighter side, the House Council is responsible for giving parties. The Shipwreck at the beginning of the year and the festive Christmas party were held by the Council.

Peace and quiet in the dorms at the right times has been successfully maintained by this year's hard working House Council members with the cooperation of all the boarders.



Left to right: Ann Goldsmith, Janis Wellin, Page Cannon, Sue Campbell, Rudy Borland, Secretary; Duch Morton, President; Mrs. MacDougall, Advisor; Sandy Wolff. *Absent:* Patti Bledsoe, Carol Lowen, Louise Coker, Mimi Smith, Letty McDonald, Liz Cheatham, Margo Dickson, Adele Hall, Janey Davy.

HONOR CODE

I promise on my word of honor to do my best,

I. To hand in work I have done myself:
 a) To copy no work from others
 b) To copy no material from books or periodicals without indicating the source.

II. To observe all rules of Study Hall and Library:
 a) To maintain quiet and order
 b) To be prompt in attendance
 c) To remain throughout the period.

III. To observe all rules concerning permissions:
 a) To fill in completely and correctly permission slips
 b) To do only what is stated on permission slips.

MESSAGE FROM THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

Dear Student Body,

It is always so difficult to realize that another year has found its end. And yet, to think back on the year, it seems so filled with busy moments and happy memories that it can never truly end. The most lasting impressions of any one year are its accomplishments. This year, like each preceding one, has been filled with its share. In my opinion the most important accomplishment of this year was the alteration in the manner in which the Honor Code was accepted. For the previous two years all the girls who felt they were capable of accepting the responsibility placed upon them by the Code signed it. But this year, in keeping with the ideal that Mount Vernon girls are competent enough to realize and abide by the principles set forth in the Code, it was acknowledged and accepted by each of us as tradition. I think possibly a better definition of the Honor Code would be a yardstick to measure our growth in character as determined by our degree of compliance with the Code. I feel that by accepting the Code, without the pageant of signing to instill its importance, we have not only strengthened it immeasurably, but also our own sense of responsibility. Each year we live and learn and in such a way mature into young women with high ideals, if not initiated, then supplemented, at Mount Vernon. I feel also that our revised citizenship standards have inspired all of us to do our utmost to become an asset to the school, our friends and families, and our community.

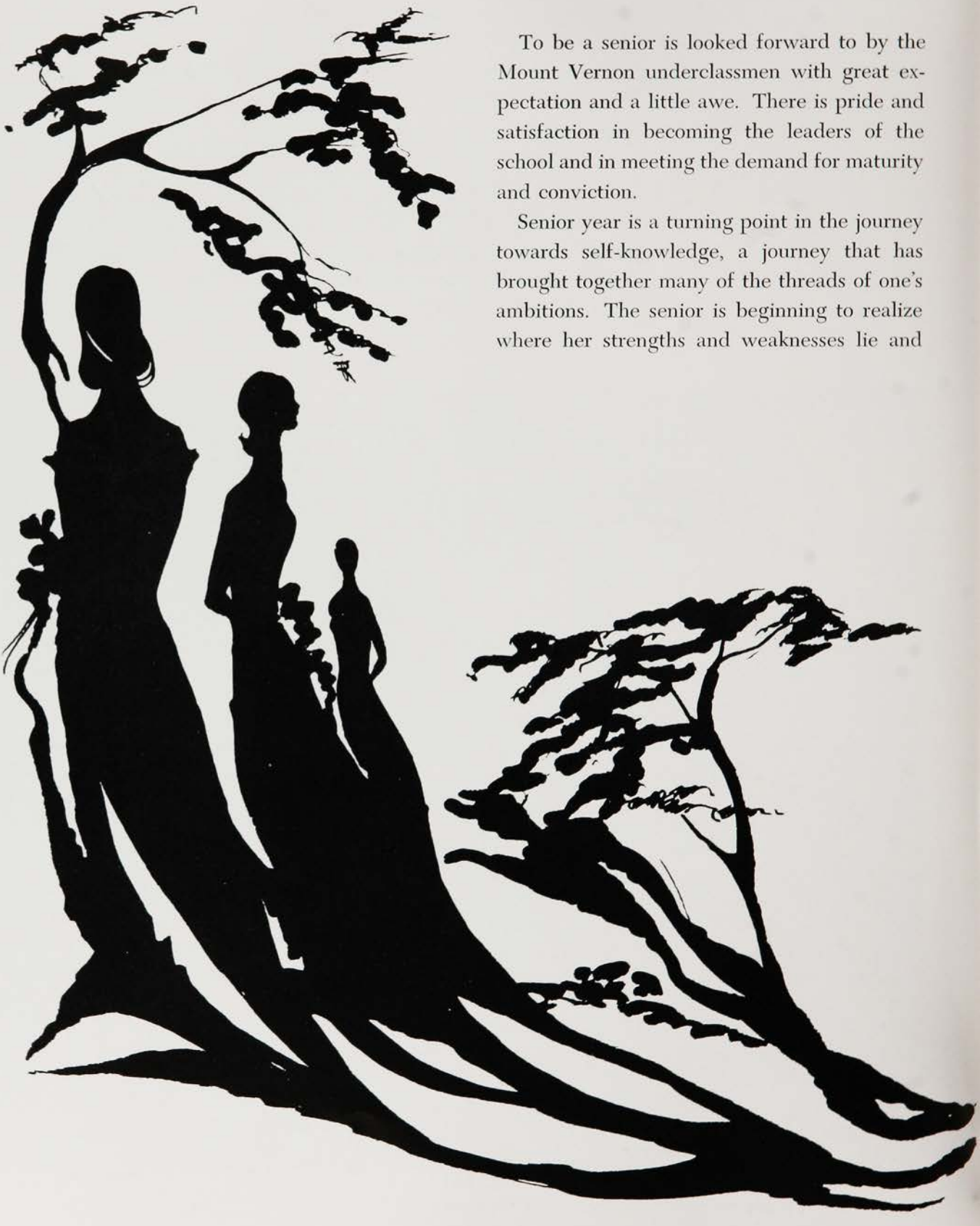
May I take this opportunity to thank you all for one of the most worthwhile and rewarding years of my life. Without your support and co-operation progress in any direction is impossible. Thus, may I thank each of you for your assistance in making this a profitable year for all concerned. The memories gathered here would fill a volume for happy reading in the years to come when we are no longer in constant daily contact with Mount Vernon. I know that I shall never forget the happy times, lasting friendships, and unforgettable experiences. These things, and all of you, are the things I shall remember at Mount Vernon.

May I wish you all the best possible in the future years, and may you be successful in all you endeavor to do.

As always,

Nancy

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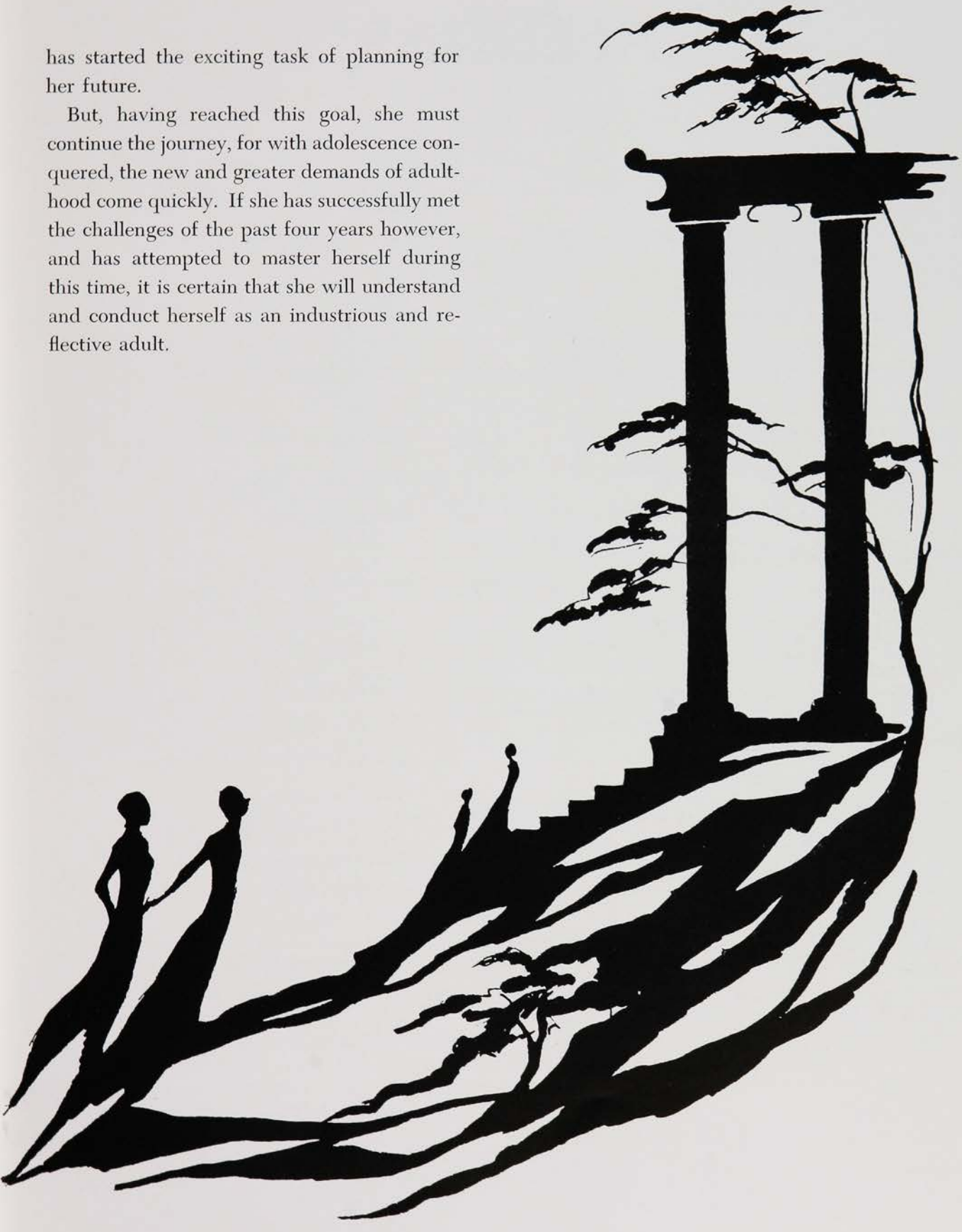


To be a senior is looked forward to by the Mount Vernon underclassmen with great expectation and a little awe. There is pride and satisfaction in becoming the leaders of the school and in meeting the demand for maturity and conviction.

Senior year is a turning point in the journey towards self-knowledge, a journey that has brought together many of the threads of one's ambitions. The senior is beginning to realize where her strengths and weaknesses lie and

has started the exciting task of planning for her future.

But, having reached this goal, she must continue the journey, for with adolescence conquered, the new and greater demands of adulthood come quickly. If she has successfully met the challenges of the past four years however, and has attempted to master herself during this time, it is certain that she will understand and conduct herself as an industrious and reflective adult.



CALENDAR

September 22—Student Council Dinner
23—Registration
26—Old Girl - New Girl Party

October 3—A. A. Picnic
25—Halloween Dance

November 5—Founder's Day and School Birthday Party
20—Christmas Book Assembly
23—Thanksgiving Vesper Service
25—Thanksgiving vacation begins

December 13—Christmas Dance
14—Christmas Vespers
16—Christmas Dinner and Glee Club Concert
17—Christmas vacation begins

January 10—Scholastic Aptitude Tests
24—Midyear examinations begin
29—Winter sports weekend at Lake Placid begins

February 2—Second semester begins
13—Buck Hill Falls Religious Conference
14—Valentine Dance
20—Freshman Variety Show
23—Posture Week begins

March 6—United Nations' trip for Seniors
16—Student Council Charity Drive
25—Spring vacation begins

April 11—Second Form Slave Auction
23 & 24—*Alice in Wonderland*
24—Fathers' Day

May 7-14—Election of New Officers
8—Junior-Senior Banquet
Ringing Ceremony
15—A. A. Banquet
22—Last Chapel
23—Final Examinations begin
30—Alumnae Reunion
Commencement Dance
31—Baccalaureate Service
Class Night

June 1—Commencement

MARY GAIL KREDEL

INDIANA, PENNSYLVANIA — THREE YEARS

"She counts her friends by the score,
and, yet, there is always room for more."



To whom does the class of '59 owe much of its success? To Gail who was our vivacious class president. Though her many duties as President kept Gail very busy, she has been able to maintain a high scholastic average and has been a three year member of Optima. Gail will be remembered not only for the many things she has done at Mount Vernon but also as a sincere and understanding girl whom everyone admired.

White Team; Optima II, III, IV; Class Vice President III; Class President IV; *Cellophane* III, IV; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand II, III, IV; Prep Players II.



NANCY LOUISE BARNES

WASHINGTON, D. C. — THREE YEARS

"In every task that she takes part, she is sure to
work with all her heart."

At M.V.S. we have Honor Roll students, capable leaders and athletes. Nancy is all three of these. Busy Nance has studied hard here and has been a member of Optima for three years. Everyone knows her, too, as our capable President of the student body. Nance also became a member of the softball and basketball teams and staunch rooter for the White team. Thank you, Nance, for working conscientiously for your class and your school.

White Team; Optima II, III, IV; Student Body President IV; Class President III; Baseball II, III, IV; Basketball III; *Cellophane* II, Art Editor III; CUPOLA II, IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Social League II.

MARTA MINERVA MILLER

WASHINGTON, D. C. — FOUR YEARS

"Women are of two kinds, and she is
that kind I'd like to be."



A Texan is always a Texan and Marta proves this with her sincere friendliness to all. Marta will be remembered for her outstanding capacity for making an organized operation out of even the most chaotic situation. As President of Optima this year and as last year's *Cellophane* Editor, she has demonstrated fine leadership and organizational ability. These and many other inexpressible little things which she has done will never be forgotten.

White Team; Optima I, II, III, President IV; Class President II, Class Vice President I; Baseball III, IV; Basketball II, III, IV; *Carousel* IV; *Cellophane* II, Editor-in-Chief III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA I, IV; Library Council III; Social League III.



ALICIA LINDSAY AMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C. TWO YEARS

"Nothing ever succeeds which exuberant spirits have not helped to produce."

Who's that cheerful, enthusiastic, "collegiate" girl? Why, it is Lindsay. Where there is life and fun, there is Lindsay. Lindsay was an excellent Captain of the White team for she has plenty of pep and spirit and is a member of the four varsities. With mature thinking and deep sincerity, Lindsay can make a difficult problem seem trivial. Each one of us has a certain place in our hearts for Lindsay.

White Team, Captain IV; A.A., Vice President III; Baseball III; Basketball III, IV; Hockey III, IV; Tennis IV; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III.

HELEN ESSARY ANSELL

KENSINGTON, MARYLAND TWO YEARS

"Is she not more than painting can express, or youthful poets fancy when they love?"

For the past two years M.V.S. has been blessed by the graceful smile and soft voice belonging to Helen. She is known as an individualist with genuine poetic and artistic talent, and a mature recognition of human nature. Helen's artistic ability has won her many prizes in art shows. She has also worked faithfully on illustrating this yearbook. Thank you, Helen, for doing so much for the class of '59.

White Team; CUPOLA Art Editor IV; Chapel Guild III; Glee Club III.





LOUISA FULCHER ARNETT

NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK TWO YEARS

"If I do vow a friendship, I'll perform it to the last article."

Last year, as Mount Vernon greeted the new girls, Louisa, the tall brunette from New York City, was among those getting adjusted to Mount Vernon life. As we came to know Louisa, her warmth and friendliness seemed to radiate and as the year passed she gained a place in all our hearts. Because she is a good student and an active member of Glee Club, Louisa has become a distinctive member of the class of '59.

White Team; Glee Club III, IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

BARBARA ANN BEELAR



SWANTON, MARYLAND — THREE YEARS

"She needs no eulogy; her character speaks for herself."

"Beep, beep!" "Watch out!" Here comes Barbara in the "ugily bugily" (her car) which is only one example of the many facets of her engaging personality. She has the ability to do her part on the field, in the classroom, and in her work on this yearbook. Whatever the future may be, Barb will meet it with a smile, enthusiasm, and plenty of friendliness.

Yellow Team; Cheerleader II, IV, Captain III; CUPOLA Literary Editor IV; Library Council IV; Outing Club II; Prep Players III.



PATTI LEE BLEDSOE

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA — THREE YEARS

"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."

"Hacha everyone!" comes ringing down the hall and everyone knows that it is Patti. Some may describe her as having "personality plus" but Patti has more than that. She has humor, sincerity, and an overflowing friendliness. She always has a smile for everyone. It was inevitable that Patti should become Yellow team Captain for no one has more loyalty. Next year's classes, parties, and get-togethers will seem incomplete without Patti.

Yellow Team, Secretary-Treasurer III, Captain IV; A.A. II, III, Secretary-Treasurer IV; Basketball III, IV; Cheerleader II, III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA III; Lend-A-Hand III, IV; Outing Club II; Prep Players III; Social League III.

PAMELA JANE BUTLER



WASHINGTON, D. C. — FOUR YEARS

"Her whole heart's welcome in her smile."

Many things can be said about this attractive brunette. Pam is friendly, helpful, and considerate. During her four years here at Mount Vernon she has demonstrated to all her school spirit and willingness to co-operate. With a natural aptitude for languages Pam has contributed much to her Spanish class and will certainly develop this interest further. In her quiet way Pam has proven herself to be a loyal member of her class.

White Team; Class Secretary I, II; *Cellophane* III; CUPOLA III, IV; Glee Club I; Prep Players II; Social League IV.



VIRGINIA RHODES CARNDUFF

WASHINGTON, D. C. THREE YEARS

"As full of spirit as the month of May."

Actress and cheerleader, our Ginger with the flirtatious giggle and happy smile is President of Prep Players, an invaluable spark to the White team, a member of Optima. Talented and busy Ginger still has time to lend a friendly ear or a helping hand. She has a deep understanding of people and with her inquiring mind, her wonderful ability to project herself across a stage, we may expect a great future for merry Miss Carnduff.

White Team; Optima II, III, IV; Cheerleader II, III, IV; Chapel Guild IV; Lend-A-Hand II; Prep Players II, Treasurer III, President IV.

ELIZABETH LOUISE COKER

HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA TWO YEARS

"She keeps her thoughts to herself and goes serenely on her way."

Black eyes, raven hair, the voice of an angel all remind us of Louise, our southern belle. Louise's favorite pastimes are horseback riding and singing folk songs. She is one of the most active members of Glee Club, and takes part in all of its activities. Many mornings her voice is put to good use as soloist in our chapel services. Good luck, "little Lu-lu" wherever you go.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club III, IV.





MARGARET BORD DICKSON

EASTON, MARYLAND TWO YEARS

"A merry heart goes all the day."

No one can be depressed with Margo's comical manner. What's more, one can be assured she will never say anything harsh or unkind. Margo's room is easily recognized by the menagerie of tigers, the orange and black banner which dominates her bed, and the numerous pictures of horses. Besides being a member of Lend-A-Hand and Glee Club, Margo is our class representative to Social League. Margo's warmth has made her friends with everyone.

White Team; A.A. IV; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club III, IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV; Social League IV.

NANCY LIGGETT DURAND



WASHINGTON, D. C. TWO YEARS

"My heart is open wide."

Famous for her sparkling smile, and brown eyes, Nancy is a favorite with everyone. Her keen mind, varied interests, outgoing personality and ever ready sense of humor make her fun to be with. Everyone agrees there is no equal to Nancy—who else could arrange such successful dances as Nancy while she was President of Social League! In short, Nancy has all the qualities that help to make her one of our most dependable friends.

Yellow Team; *Cellophane* Humor Editor III; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Lend-A-Hand III; Social League III, President IV.



BEVERLY LYNN ELSON

WASHINGTON, D. C. TWO YEARS

"Just a little bit of heaven come to earth."

There could never be another Bevy! Who else could have that red hair, freckles, the mischievous smile that comes only with a preacher's daughter, and charm? Bevy can be found playing the piano, slaving over International Relations' assignments, or in the bank settling Social League's account. In the summer, you will find her racing her sailboat in Nova Scotia. If you take time to seek her out, you will love her as all of us do at M.V.S.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA IV, Assistant Editor III; Glee Club III; Social League Secretary-Treasurer IV.

EDITH LEE EVANS



JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI THREE YEARS

"I am a good old rebel—yes, that's just what I am."

Edith has become known to us during her three years at Mount Vernon as Edie. Her obvious Mississippi accent, her "rebel" ways, and wonderful sense of humor, have endeared her to all. Edie always takes an active part in school activities and, when called upon, is anxious to contribute her suggestions. She is an active member of Prep Players and a loyal supporter of the White team. M.V.S. will miss this cute, blue-eyed rebel.

White Team; Outing Club II; Prep Players III, IV.



MARGARET ANN GOLDSMITH

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA — TWO YEARS

"Friendly, lovable, sweet and helpful; can we find another to fill her place?"

Last year Ann came from Alabama to M.V.S. This attractive southerner has won the love of every one who knows her. For two years Ann has been an active and enthusiastic cheerleader for the White team. Last year she was Literary Editor of *Cellophane* and this year she has worked on CUPOLA and Lend-A-Hand. Her kind ways will be remembered as the expression of a genuine heart.

White Team; Cheerleader III, IV; *Cellophane* Literary Editor III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

MARIE CHARLOTTE ISZKOWSKI

WASHINGTON, D. C. — ONE YEAR

"Good nature is the most precious gift of heaven."

Micha, the mademoiselle from the French Riviera, bounced right into the swing when she joined us this year. Always ready with conversation, Micha brings a ray of sunshine with her wherever she goes. Her good natured smile and contagious laugh are always present. You want to know about Haiti? Micha's exciting accounts will fill you in. Wherever you find Micha you are sure to find fun.

White Team; CUPOLA IV; Social League IV.





SUSANNE JAMISON

VERO BEACH, FLORIDA — THREE YEARS

"I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears."

When Sue came to M.V.S. she brought with her a Florida sunshine smile which can brighten up any room. The results of her hard work for CUPOLA are obvious to all who have looked at the pictures in this book. She made a name for herself in athletics as the hockey varsity goalie. Sue's delightful personality has made her an outstanding member of her class and will make her a valuable member of any group.

White Team; Hockey IV; Chapel Guild III; CUPOLA III, Photography Editor IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Prep Players II.

LINDA COOKE KEFAUVER

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE — THREE YEARS

"Which can say more than this phrase—
that you alone are you."



Linda is from Tennessee and will surely let you know it, for no one could be more loyal to her home state. Her loyalty also extends to the Yellow team and, best of all, to her friends who feel a deep trust in her. Linda is also one of the most cooperative girls at Mount Vernon. The day students and their treasury have flourished under her direction as President. Good luck to you always, Linda.

Yellow Team; Day Student Secretary-Treasurer III, President IV; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Outing Club II; Prep Players III.



JOSEPHINE ANNA KERN

WASHINGTON, D. C. — FOUR YEARS

"A little bit of nonsense now and then
is relished by the best of people."

Whether you call her Jo or JoAnna, she is this year's capable Library Council President, who has worked with our librarians to keep the council functioning efficiently. Jo has been very active in the Glee Club and has been a soloist in many of its performances as well as in our morning chapel services. When Jo is not doing homework or driving her Impala, she is probably on a college weekend. Little Jo is a big part of '59.

Yellow Team; Class Treasurer II; House Council II; *Cellophane* III; Chapel Guild III, IV; Glee Club I, II, III, IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV; Library Council III, President IV; Social League Treasurer I; Sports Club Treasurer II.

ROSALIND VEREEN LANIER

SHORT HILLS, NEW JERSEY — THREE YEARS

"What wisdom can you find that is
greater than kindness?"



One of the most pleasant sights during morning chapel is dark-eyed Cissy at the organ, straight-backed and earnest. Her face framed by a dark shock of hair and illuminated by a wide smile is always refreshing. Aside from being an excellent musician, Cissy is talented in athletics. She has proven, as President of the Athletic Association, to be a leader of great integrity, never failing to show sincere enthusiasm, sportsmanship, and loyalty.

White Team; Baseball II; Basketball II, III, IV; Hockey II, III, IV; Tennis II, III, IV; A.A. II, III, President IV; Chapel Guild II, III; CUPOLA IV; Prep Players II, III.



ANN ELIZABETH MARTIN

WASHINGTON, D. C. ONE YEAR

"She came late but made her presence felt."

Even though our tall Canadian has been with us only a year, Ann, with her quiet humor, has given much to her class. As a member of the CUPOLA art staff, she has worked tirelessly and efficiently, never failing to undertake cheerfully the most tedious jobs. With her engaging, easy-going personality, Ann will undoubtedly be as interesting a member of any society in the future as she has been of her class here at Mount Vernon.

White Team; Basketball IV; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Library Council IV.

LYNN MAGNUS MASSEL

WASHINGTON, D. C. ONE YEAR

"It is a friendly heart that has friends."

Lynn is what the doctor ordered when you are depressed, for her spirited ways will always give you a lift. Although a new student this year, Lynn has proved her school spirit by eagerly participating on the hockey team. She is also one of the most loyal Yellow team supporters. Lynn's vivacity quickly found her a place at Mount Vernon and will help her to make many friends in the future.

Yellow Team; A.A. IV.





CAROL JEAN MAXWELL

WASHINGTON, D. C. THREE YEARS

"Nice to talk to; pleasant to walk with;
sweet to think about."

Carol has about her an air of quietness, yet she is anything but shy. Her big blue eyes, dark hair, and cheerful smile make her a very attractive girl. If anyone stops by Carol's house she can be sure of an invitation to come in, for Carol's hospitality is available to everyone. In whatever Carol plans to do in the future we wish her the best of luck.

White Team; *Cellophane* III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Outing Club II; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

JOAN ADAIR McCORMACK

WASHINGTON, D. C. THREE YEARS

"There is not some moment without some fun."



Joan, a gay person with blond hair, is one of those wonderful people who will listen to your problems with sincere interest and always present you with the bright side. When it comes to wit, Joan manages to make even the dullest joke riotously funny. There is something heart-warming about her gay, natural smile and the cheerful words she always has for everyone. Joan definitely could not be left out of our senior class.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club III; Outing Club II.



LETITIA MEBANE McDONALD

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA TWO YEARS

"She is a friend worth having, what more can we say of anyone?"

When Letty came to Mount Vernon her sweet, quiet way endeared her to all of us. While here, she has been an eager and reliable member of Lend-A-Hand and Chapel Guild. She has shown her Yellow team spirit by being an enthusiastic cheerleader and member of the basketball team. Letty has also maintained a good scholastic average. With her Southern charm, Letty will always be a success.

Yellow Team; Cheerleader III; Basketball III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA III; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

MARTHA LINEBERGER McDONALD

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA TWO YEARS

"The glass of fashion and the mold of form."



Mount Vernon will seem darker next year without our cheerful towhead. Martha has proven her loyal White team spirit by being a member of two varsities, a cheerleader, and Secretary-Treasurer of the team. Martha can always be found talking about her home town and anyone visiting her room will learn from Martha what hospitality 'southern style' really is. Martha's two years at Mount Vernon have endeared her to us all.

White Team, Secretary-Treasurer IV; Basketball III, IV; Softball III; Cheerleader III, Captain IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.



MARGARET BETH MILLINGTON

CENTER VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA — THREE YEARS

"She is little in stature but big of heart."

Whenever you hear, "Did you forget to take off your ring?" or "Yea, Lehigh," there can be no question in your mind who is speaking. It is our petite Penny who, as Vice-President of the senior class, had the chore of keeping the students in correct uniform. It is hard to imagine that such a tiny package can contain so much, but Penny is a delightful mixture of perseverance, sincerity, diligence, understanding, and fun.

Yellow Team; Class Treasurer III, Vice President IV; *Cellophane* II, III, IV; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand II, III, IV.

MARY LOUISE MORTON

WASHINGTON, D. C. — FOUR YEARS

"Quiet, unobtrusive, kind; a friend to all,
hated by none."

For four years Mary Lou has been an outstanding member of the class of '59, always sincere, thoughtful, and understanding. Her organizational ability and determination have been invaluable to the successful business management of this yearbook. As a member of Optima since her freshman year, Mary Lou has worked faithfully to uphold high standards of academic achievement. We are sure that Mary Lou's success here will continue at college and throughout her life.

White Team; Optima I, II, III, IV; Class Vice President II; *Cellophane* II, Business Manager III; CUPOLA I, Business Manager IV; Lend-A-Hand I; Library Council III.





MILLINDA ANN MORTON

WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS — TWO YEARS

"Always sweet, friendly, gay, always modest,
that's her way."

Duch's laugh is known and enjoyed by everyone. It is a devilish laugh but Duch's blonde hair reminds one of an angel. Duch is gifted with a warm, sympathetic nature and is always there when one needs her. With a great sense of responsibility, Duch has led the House Council efficiently and sincerely by striving to please everyone. Whatever the future, there is no doubt Duch will meet it with a smile and with determination.

Yellow Team; House Council President IV; *Cellophane* III; Chapel Guild IV; CUPOLA IV; Glee Club Secretary III; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

SUE NEUENSCHWANDER

SISTERSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA — TWO YEARS

"A friendly word, malice towards none, charity for all."



This girl from "good old Sistersville" is always thinking of others and never herself. Sue is known for her sincerity and loyalty as well as serious purpose in life. M.V.S. has never had a better Lend-A-Hand President, for Sue has the ability to get along with everyone and make people feel wanted. Sue's ever present laugh can be heard everywhere, and when that laugh bursts forth the whole world laughs with her.

Yellow Team; Cheerleader III; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club III; Lend-A-Hand III, President IV.



BARBARA ELIZABETH PAINTER

CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA — THREE YEARS

"O! 'Tis love, 'tis love, that makes the world go round."

From the state of West Virginia comes Bobbie, a gay and vivacious girl with a pleasant smile. Always seen running down to the stage Saturday afternoons for rehearsals, Bobbie has been first an active member of Prep Players, then a capable Vice-President. An ardent rooter for Washington and Lee, Bobbie spends many weekends there. Now, as she graduates from M.V.S., Bobbie is beginning to plan for a career in science.

White Team; *Cellophane* III; Chapel Guild III, IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Library Council IV; Prep Players II, Stage Manager III, Vice-President IV.

RUTH RICKIE PHILLIPS

SCARSDALE, NEW YORK — TWO YEARS

"The higher type of woman is firm but not quarrelsome; sociable but not clannish."



Ruthie's effervescent spirit in telling a joke, cheerleading (she is captain of the Yellow team cheerleaders), participating in one of Prep Players' productions, or indeed in anything she does, no matter how important or unimportant, has amazed all of us. Yet, when you want to talk seriously, Ruthie will gladly give you her views, which are always presented very logically. Wherever she goes, people are sure to be attracted by Ruthie's happy personality.

Yellow Team; Softball III; Cheerleader III, Captain IV; Chapel Guild IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Prep Players IV.



MARY DREW PRESTON

MEDIA, PENNSYLVANIA — THREE YEARS

"She said little but to the point."

As Editor-in-Chief of the 1959 CUPOLA, Mary Drew has faced the many problems presented by this task with a patience, calmness, and leadership that have carried the yearbook through "thick and thin." Mame has also taken an active part on the hockey team and is a three year member of Optima. Although Mary Drew is often serious, her quick wit amuses all of us. Thank you, Mary Drew, for working so hard for CUPOLA.

White Team; Optima II, Secretary-Treasurer III, IV; CUPOLA Treasurer III, Editor-in-Chief IV; Chapel Guild III; Glee Club II; House Council Secretary III; Lend-A-Hand III.

SALLY QUINN

CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND — ONE YEAR

"Of all the girls that are so sweet,
there's none like pretty Sally."

After coming to Mount Vernon in her senior year, Sally became an active part of her class by putting her talents to use in Prep Players. Though Sally's attitude may seem somewhat carefree, she has many serious intellectual interests. Since Sally is an "army brat" she has to change schools often, but moving has not bothered her because she is very adept at making friends. Her happy personality makes Sally well-liked wherever she is.

Yellow Team; *Carousel* IV; Prep Players IV; Social League IV.





PAMELA LONGMIER SIMPSON

ELBURN, ILLINOIS — TWO YEARS

"Can we ever forget her bright and
everlasting smile?"

Pam is one of those rare girls who is a combination of good looks and good personality. She brims over with laughter and entertains all of us with amusing stories. When Pam is not horseback riding or talking to her many friends, she probably can be found working on Glee Club business in her capacity as President. Pam's gracious and cheerful ways will always make her a welcome addition to any group.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club III, President IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.

LYDA SUE STARR



MIDLAND, TEXAS — TWO YEARS

"No matter how gloomy the outlook,
she comes up smiling."

We are proud that Suzy was elected President of Chapel Guild, for she has carried out her job faithfully with meaningful and well-organized services at the beginning of each day. In addition Suzy is a cheerleader and an effervescent member of the White team, as well as being an active member of Lend-A-Hand. We shall remember and love this cute Texan for her southern drawl, bright eyes, infectious smile, and beaming personality.

White Team III, IV; Chapel Guild III, President IV; Cheerleader IV; CUPOLA III, IV.



ANN COLLIER TAYLOR

HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA — TWO YEARS

"Little chips light big fires."

When you see a cute little blonde with a friendly smile you know it must be Ann Collier. As a junior, she was elected Secretary of her class and this year she was elected Treasurer of the class. Ann Collier was also chosen Treasurer of Prep Players and has proved her team spirit by being a cheerleader for the White team. Ann Collier's sense of humor coupled with serious intellectual interests is a combination hard to beat.

White Team; Class Secretary III, Treasurer IV; Cheerleader III; Chapel Guild III, IV; Lend-A-Hand III; Prep Players III, Treasurer IV.

THEODORA THEOBALD



ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA — TWO YEARS

"I love her for her smile—her look—
her way of speaking gently."

She haunts the academic building and the dorms; in her own quiet way Teddy is part of it all. Teddy is a follower who warms the heart of any leader, but when called upon to lead she does so with much ability. As a senior Teddy was the class representative to Lend-A-Hand, a member of Optima, and Glee Club. She always speaks with thoughtfulness, and this has won her the respect of her friends.

Yellow Team; Optima IV; Glee Club III, IV; Lend-A-Hand IV.



ELIZABETH HADDON THOMPSON

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO — TWO YEARS

"Out where the handclasp's a little stronger,
that's where the West begins."

If a room is filled with talk about New Mexico or West Point, you are sure to find Betsy there. This tall, attractive, blonde has won the heart of Mount Vernon. Bets usually carries one of the leading roles in Prep Players' productions and is a peppy Yellow team cheerleader. Her other interests are horses and politics. Betsy will succeed in anything she does because of her outgoing personality and determination.

Yellow Team; Baseball IV; Cheerleader IV; *Carousel* IV; Chapel Guild III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand III, IV; Prep Players III, IV.

VICTORIA MAE VOELL

WASHINGTON, D. C. — FOUR YEARS

"Deep waters flow with little noise."

Throughout her four years at Mount Vernon, Vickie has shown an aptitude for mathematics and has recently developed an interest in scientific fields. She enjoys art, and her work on the CUPOLA art staff has been invaluable. Even though she is shy, her quiet enthusiasm for her class is apparent to all. Whenever she is needed, one seldom has to look far to find Vickie waiting to help.

Yellow Team; *Cellophane* II; Chapel Guild I; CUPOLA I, III, IV; Lend-A-Hand IV.





MATILDA CAIL WEBB

TAMPA, FLORIDA — ONE YEAR

"The smiling daughter of the sun."

If you go into the Field House during smoking hours, you are sure to see Tilda, accompanying one of Johnny Cash's records on her guitar. Though Tilda is usually full of fun, she can be serious when need be, and is a friend on whom one can depend. As a member of the basketball team, she has proven her athletic ability. Although this is Tilda's first year she has certainly made a real contribution to her class.

White Team; Basketball IV; Tennis IV; Cheerleader IV; Chapel Guild; Lend-A-Hand.

CONSTANCE RANKIN WHEELER



PALM BEACH, FLORIDA — TWO YEARS

"The way to be happy is to make others so."

A Floridian sent to Mount Vernon full of enthusiasm, determination and sincerity. Her name? Connie. Her enthusiasm is evident as she is a White team cheerleader. Her versatility is apparent since she is a member of Lend-A-Hand, Chapel Guild and CUPOLA. She was also elected Secretary of the senior class. Last and most important, she has a sincere smile and a personality which makes her a girl Mount Vernon is mighty proud to have.

White Team; Student Council Secretary-Treasurer III; Class Secretary IV; Tennis III; Cheerleader III, Captain IV; Chapel Guild III, IV; CUPOLA III; Lend-A-Hand III, IV.



WANDA ISAPHENE WITT

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA — TWO YEARS

"Fond of fun as fond can be."

Wanda came to Mount Vernon her junior year as a day student but this year the boarders were fortunate enough to have her join them as a resident. Wanda's sincerity and friendliness to all have obtained for her a place in the heart of each and every student. Among her varied interests are modern dance and Glee Club. She is also an active member of the Yellow team. Through Wanda's charm, many sad faces have been made happy.

Yellow Team; *Cellophane* III; Chapel Guild IV; Glee Club III, IV; Library Council IV; Lend-A-Hand IV.

ELIZABETH JAMISON WOLFF



PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA — THREE YEARS

"We find her earnest, kind and true."

For the past two of her three years here, Sandy has greatly helped Lend-A-Hand by fulfilling her duties as its Secretary-Treasurer. Yet whenever Lester Lanin or the Wiffenpoofs are mentioned, Wolfie is sure to be near, munching on cheese and crackers. Sandy's hard work and mental alertness were recognized when she became an Optima member at the beginning of her senior year. Sandy's determination and enthusiasm will surely be missed next year.

White Team; Optima IV; *Cellophane* III; CUPOLA IV; Lend-A-Hand II, Secretary-Treasurer III, IV; Outing Club II.



VIRGINIA HUDSON WRIGHT

MEXICO D.F., MEXICO — FOUR YEARS

"For the good are always merry and the merry love to dance."

A ready laugh and a warm smile are identified with Virginia, better known as Ginny. Her carefree air and understanding manner make her fun to be with. Ginny loves to dance and can be seen on Saturday nights getting ready to go out on a date. During her years here Ginny has been an active member of the Glee Club and Yellow team. With her beauty and charm, Ginny is bound to be a success.

Yellow Team; Chapel Guild II, Secretary III; Glee Club II, III, Treasurer IV; Lend-A-Hand I, II, Secretary III.

ALMA MATER

Our Alma Mater glorious,
With loving hearts and proud,
We crown thee all victorious
And sing thy praise aloud.
In loyalty we serve thee
And strive to heed thy call,
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Through self to conquer all.

You give unfailing kindness
If trouble meet us here;
You foster all our pleasures
And make them seem more dear.
Nor time, nor care, nor sorrow
Can these fair days erase,
But they with each tomorrow
Help us new tasks to face.

Like breath of Spring's fresh morning
That lifts the heart to song,
When courage droops and wavers
And paths seem gray and long,
Will come thy dauntless spirit
To help us on our way.
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Hold fast thy tender sway.

The changing years may bring us
Some longed for dream of bliss,
Yet memory will cherish
A sympathy we miss.
In hours of joy or sadness,
Whate'er our need may be,
Mount Vernon, O Mount Vernon!
Thy children turn to thee.

CLASS HISTORY

FRESHMAN YEAR

High school already? . . . seventeen of us . . . Joy, Marta, Pam and Eleanore are our class officers . . . Mrs. Jenney is our advisor . . . England sends us Sara . . . Jo, Margaret, Ginny and Joy are our only boarders . . . the sophomores give a party for us at Jeanne Clark's house . . . Vicki has a ponytail . . . Miss Lester teaches us math with a Southern drawl . . . fuzzy bunnies become the class mascot . . . Pam teaches us to bop . . . the Faculty Show is strictly for fun . . . Chrissie, Jeanne, Nancy C . . . our class has a scrapbook . . . Elvis is the rage . . . Ginny is our Valentine princess . . . Eleanore and Marta start writing $\frac{x+y}{2}$ notes . . . Cynthia, Candy, and Vickey W. are our riders . . . our carnival on the Ides of March . . . the Diamonds visit the spring Record Hop . . . Commencement Dance rained out; it's held in the gym . . . three years to go!

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Twice as many members . . . Marta is our president, Miss Miller our new advisor . . . slumber parties . . . we give a party for the freshmen at Pam's . . . Melissa and baby talk . . . Honor Code adopted . . . Jo becomes a day student . . . mid-year break at Skytop . . . we show our talent in the Freshman Variety Show, "When the Sap Runs" . . . Valley Forge pays us a visit . . . Christmas Book Fair, Sharon represents our class . . . Chris is our Valentine candidate . . . Cissy is our athlete . . . new additions, Acheson Science Hall, Post Hall, a new library . . . night basketball game with Holton-Arms . . . Ginny is our model in the Fashion Show . . . our Carnival is better than ever . . . three cheers for our undefeated tennis team . . . Carol with short hair—remember? . . . week-end trips to Saint James . . . Linda gets a boat for our picnic on the Chesapeake Bay . . . we finally have our Commencement Dance on the tennis courts . . . another year, so quickly?

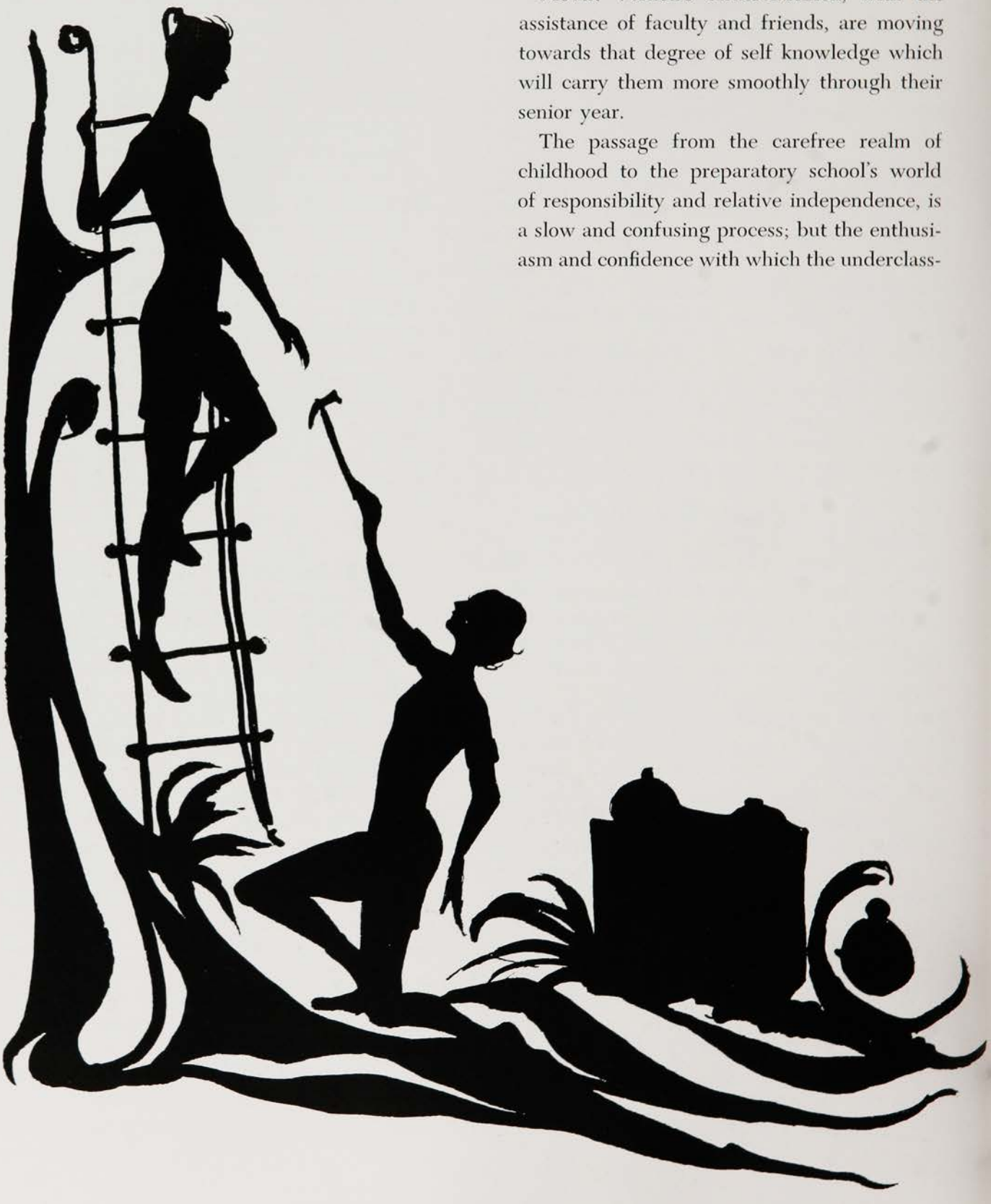
JUNIOR YEAR

Nancy at the helm . . . we present "A Day at Radio Station WMVS" at the Day Student Picnic . . . Mr. Kleindorfer is our first male teacher . . . Europe sends us Gerda and Ilona . . . Pizza . . . the "sack" is the rage . . . Pam becomes a blonde for five months . . . Barbara's "bug" . . . term papers . . . let's all go to the Hot Shoppe . . . Marta heads *Cellophane;* Gail wins the Mr. Cellophane Contest . . . we rock and roll at the Plymouth Rock—our Thanksgiving Dance . . . Optima is fifty years old . . . Martha and Gerda model in the Senior Fashion Show . . . the Field House is redecorated; a new addition—the jukebox . . . who can forget Louise and her guitar? . . . we meet Byron, Shelley and Keats . . . first trip to Lake Placid . . . Pam buys a "trapeze" . . . Valentine Dance postponed due to snow, Martha represents our class . . . Gusti's . . . the Evaluation . . . first Fathers' Day at M.V.S. . . . Gerda is our Posture Queen . . . we go "Around the World" at the Junior-Senior Banquet . . . we get our rings . . . Cissy wins the Music Cup . . . our class picnic brings chilly weather . . . are we seniors already?

SENIOR YEAR

Gail is class president . . . Helen and Wanda become boarders . . . all of us return but Candy, Nancy, Gerda, and Ilona . . . Tilda is our new boarder . . . we welcome Ann, Sally, Lynn and Micha . . . Mlle. Bounous is our wonderful advisor . . . Thursday afternoon field trips . . . the juniors give a party for us at the Field House . . . we become "redcoats" . . . parties, parties, parties . . . Lynn finds things "shocking" . . . our Nebbish Party in December for the juniors . . . busy week-ends . . . Joan joins us in February . . . College Boards . . . American Civilization . . . *Hamlet* with the Old Vic Company . . . we give the Sweetheart Ball—Connie is our Queen of Hearts . . . Valley Forge joins our Glee Club for a February concert . . . spring brings our U.N. Trip . . . Prep Players' *Alice in Wonderland* . . . we go to the May Day Ball . . . everyone is "snowed" . . . no sleep . . . Junior-Senior Banquet—for us this time . . . only a few short days . . . picnics . . . our last class parties . . . Commencement Dance . . . Baccalaureate . . . Class Night . . . June—Commencement . . . white dresses . . . diplomas . . . red roses . . . good-byes . . . wonderful memories . . .

UNDERCLASSMEN

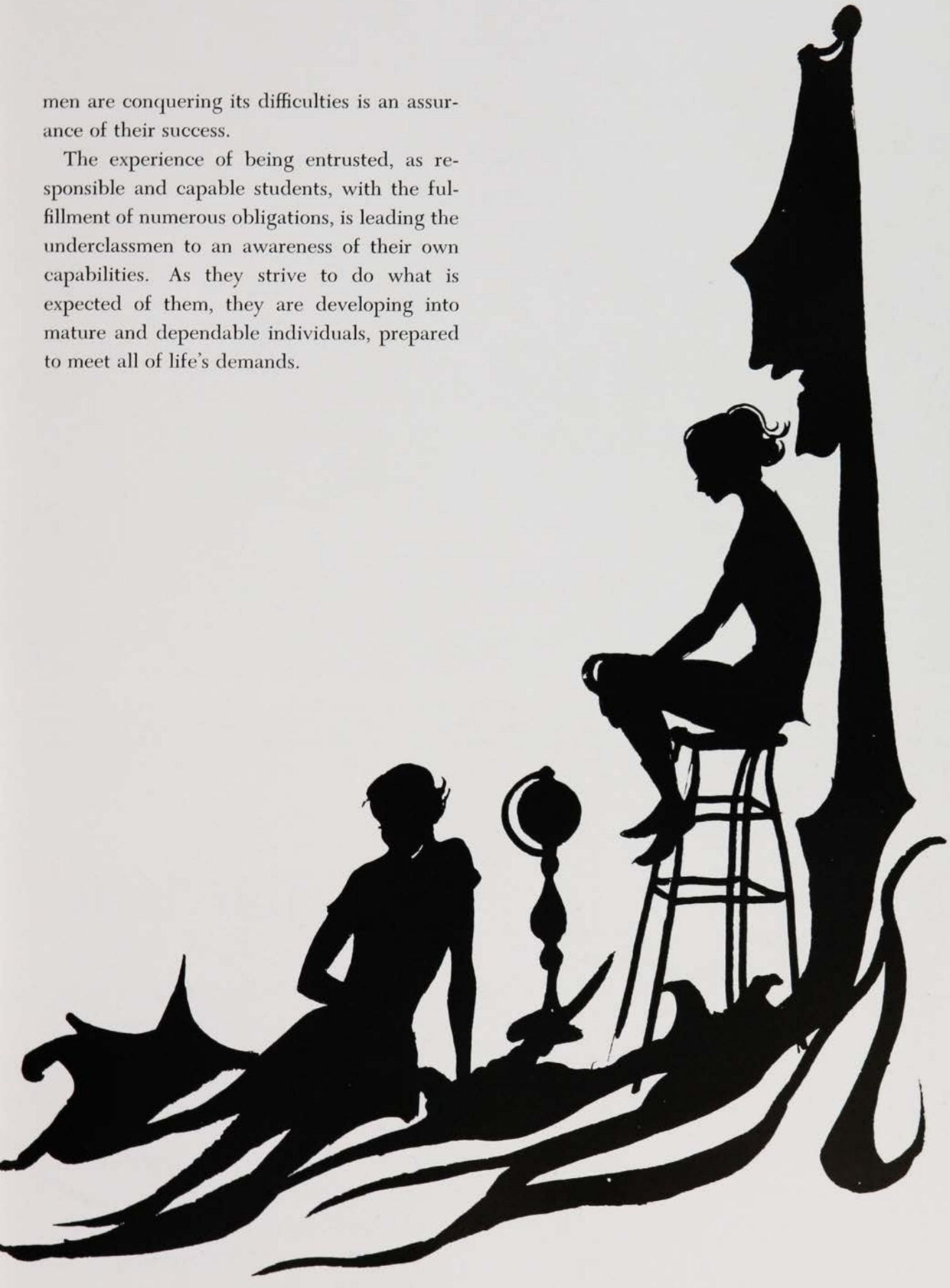


Mount Vernon's underclassmen, with the assistance of faculty and friends, are moving towards that degree of self knowledge which will carry them more smoothly through their senior year.

The passage from the carefree realm of childhood to the preparatory school's world of responsibility and relative independence, is a slow and confusing process; but the enthusiasm and confidence with which the underclass-

men are conquering its difficulties is an assurance of their success.

The experience of being entrusted, as responsible and capable students, with the fulfillment of numerous obligations, is leading the underclassmen to an awareness of their own capabilities. As they strive to do what is expected of them, they are developing into mature and dependable individuals, prepared to meet all of life's demands.





First row, left to right: Betsy Howe, Doris Dezendorf, Genie Higgins, President; Miss Seelye, Advisor. *Second row:* Sue Morris, Betsy Dunn, Bonnie Coe, Nancy Gottlieb, Bonnie Agner, Julieta Lacarte. *Third row:* Gina Simmons, Patsy Toal, Ginny Heron, Cindy Shaw, Carter Dunlop, Mary Elizabeth Cleveland, Karen Hatchell. *Fourth row:* Mary Charlotte Holland, Daidee Matteson, Gretchen Scherer, Joan Mitchell, Suzann Irvine, Joan Brown, Sandy Mosher.

JUNIOR

With Genie Higgins at the helm, Miss Seelye at the rudder, and a crew of forty-eight, this year's junior class hoisted its mainsail and sailed smoothly down the river of Mount Vernon life.

The first channel marker, a successful Field House party for the seniors, guided them through their course on the way to a triumphant finish. As they sailed by the second marker, an exciting carnival came in sight. This carnival, which brought money,



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CLASS

prizes, and games, was enjoyed immensely by the other Mount Vernon seamen.

Last, at the end of their voyage, came the Junior-Senior Banquet and the Ringing Ceremony, two events which brought the ship safely to anchor to prepare for the adventures of next year.

The class of 1960 has proved itself seaworthy in all respects, and promises to sail into Mount Vernon history with full honors.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

Form II, adding the enthusiasm of its new members to the loyalty of its old, is a gay and capable group. Their originality and energy were demonstrated in the sophomore class project, a Slave Auction, where their many talents and a day of their time were auctioned off to swell the class treasury. The class advisor, Mrs. Barnett, gave wise counsel and loyal assistance in helping the class officers organize the group's energy and versatility to make a successful year.



First row, left to right: Adele Hall, Mrs. Barnett, Advisor; Sue Eastland, President; Diana Devers, Donna Quinn, Connie Laughlin. *Second row:* Helen Estabrook, Prudie McIntosh, Kip Robinson, Courtney Hagner, Libby Andreson, Betsy Thompson, Linda Ainsworth, Sallye Mickle, Linda Blake. *Third row:* Sue Campbell, Vice-President; Ann Gardner, Betsy O'Leary, Dean Tyndall, Secretary; Janey Davy, Vaughn Chadwick, Barbara Mack, Carol Cousins, Clare MacIntyre. *Fourth row:* Bonnie Knickerbocker, Harriet Sherby, Shirley Barnes, Julie Kinloch, Treasurer; Marty King, Louise Price, Bonnie Andreae, Jan Zimmerman, Margaret Mack. *Absent:* Daryl Acheson, Debbie Connell.



First row, left to right: Margaret Nichols, Dede Wilson, Diane Morton, Linda Murphy, Sherry King. *Second row:* Joyce Diamond, Ann Leith, Vice President; Jackie Heller, Judy Igersheimer, Cathy Berger, Nancy Young, Joan Hock. *Third row:* Mrs. Griffith, Advisor; Diane Harrison, Chris Breithut, Treasurer; Grace Bell, Carol Harris, Shelly Robertson, Cindy Nichols, Lili Nelms. *Fourth row:* Fran Gable, Chris Seaton, Susan Chapman, Kay Patterson, President; Jean Hancock, Judy Fullerton, Secretary. *Absent:* Carolyn Cowden.

FRESHMAN CLASS

Take twenty-five brand new girls, blondes and brunettes, all wondering what lies ahead in the coming year; break them up into little groups and let them settle; add a large dash of school spirit; take the energy and enthusiasm of the class advisor, Mrs. Griffith, and you come up with a Freshman class worthy of Mount Vernon's traditions.

Following this recipe for a successful year, the Freshman class of '62 got started at Mount Vernon. Their project, a variety show, was a great success. We are glad to have this class with us and hope that it will continue to add its cheerfulness and spirit to the life of M.V.S. in the years to come.

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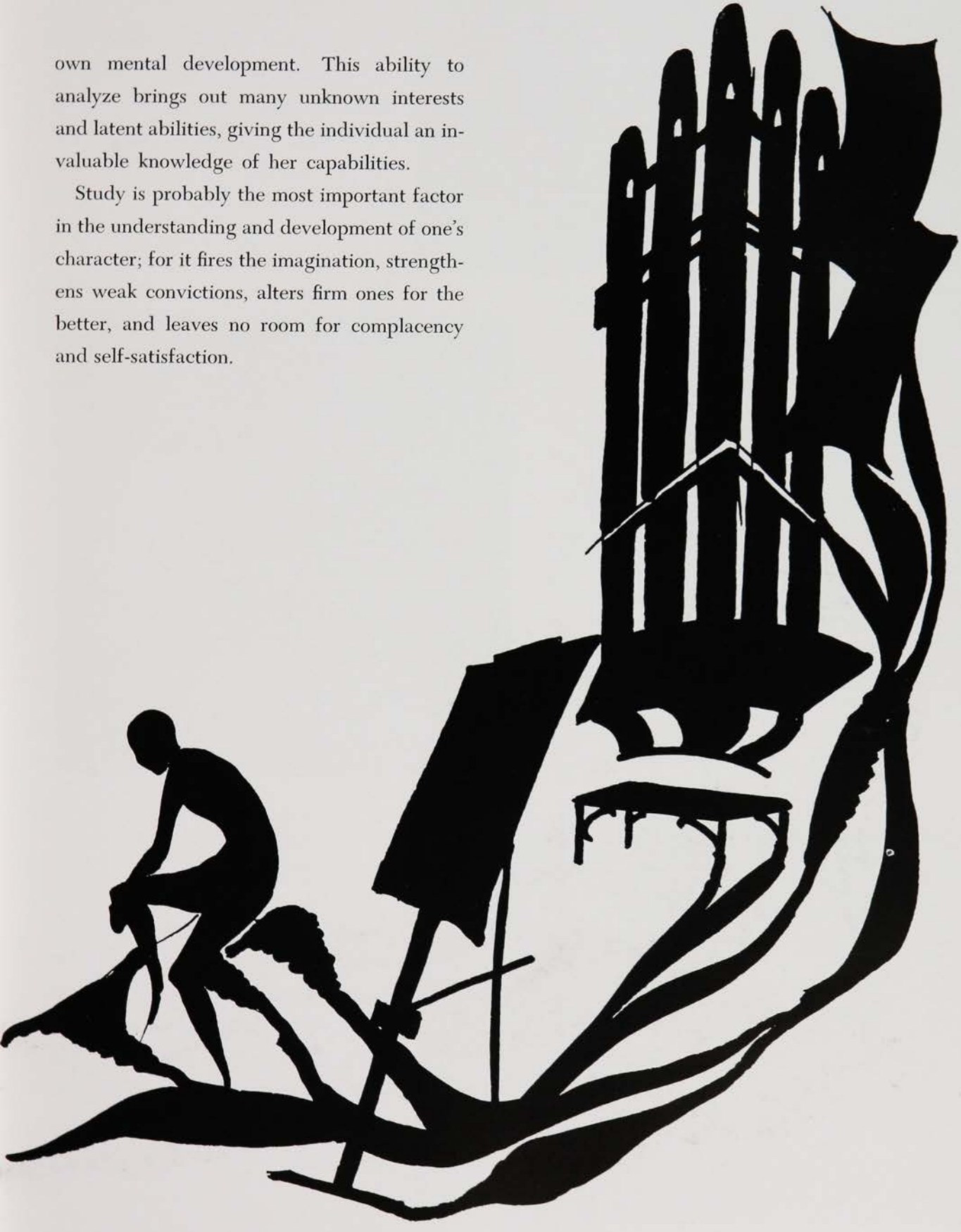


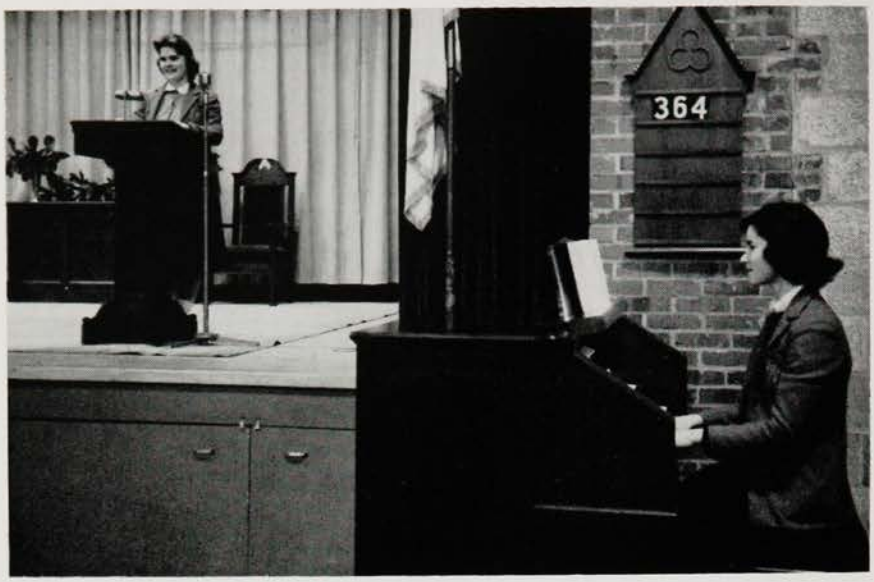
The courses of study available to the students at Mount Vernon are varied, and the concentration necessary to a mastery of them brings the self-discipline and respect for accomplishment that is a major part of conquering one's self.

After one has learned to study well enough so that she can rise above the mechanics of a subject, she is free to concentrate on the purpose of the course and its importance to her

own mental development. This ability to analyze brings out many unknown interests and latent abilities, giving the individual an invaluable knowledge of her capabilities.

Study is probably the most important factor in the understanding and development of one's character; for it fires the imagination, strengthens weak convictions, alters firm ones for the better, and leaves no room for complacency and self-satisfaction.





CHAPEL

Every morning the day is begun with a chapel service in Lloyd Hall led by a student or a faculty member. For a few minutes we join together to praise God and gain inspiration for facing a new day.



CHEMISTRY

Scientific knowledge and learning by experimentation teach inductive reasoning which will be applied to daily life. For those who are interested in a scientific future, chemistry gives a sound basis for later study.



ENGLISH

The principles of grammar and the riches of literature are taught in our English classes. Many of us are surprised to find that the study of famous poets and novelists is fascinating. We also learn to express our own ideas in writing as well as to understand the great works of literature.

HISTORY

Here we learn about the past and its relation to the present. Thus, by studying the events in history we can better comprehend and solve the problems of today in order that we may be prepared for the future.





HALL

The halls are the main thoroughfares of a busy and active school. On the bulletin boards are posters and notices, illustrating the many activities of the student body. The chattering of the girls between classes is a good example of a bustling day.

LUNCH

The refectory is the busiest place on the campus when we gather between morning and afternoon classes to have lunch. Laughter and conversation keep the dining room buzzing as we compare mornings, read mail, and generally echo the spirit of the day.





FOODS

To become familiar with the mysteries of homemaking is the aim of the courses in foods and family living. We receive important benefits from these classes and find that knowledge is accompanied by enjoyment and achievement.



ART

The Art Show, in which the efforts of the art students are exhibited, climaxes a year of study in sculpture and painting. For the students taking these courses, there is the deep satisfaction gained from creating.

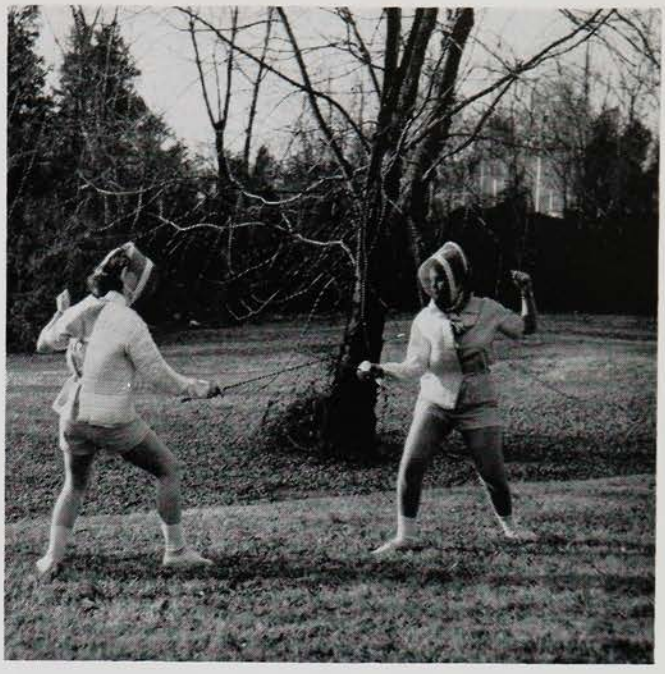


LIBRARY

The library is the hub of the academic activity. With a seemingly limitless source of stimulating reading material, research work is made more interesting and reading for pleasure is encouraged.

SPORTS

Sports are an integral part of school life and provide fun and action as well as school spirit. Outdoor and indoor sports appeal to everyone, but while enjoying this exercise, the students also learn sportsmanship and physical co-ordination.





WEST DOOR

The west door is the best known entrance in the school, for here each day we pass, going to and from classes. Even on week-ends industrious students are found entering this door on their way to the library.

FIELD HOUSE

The Field House is the most popular spot on the campus. It is the meeting place for the students and faculty alike, where they can relax with friends while listening to music or eating.



ACTIVITIES

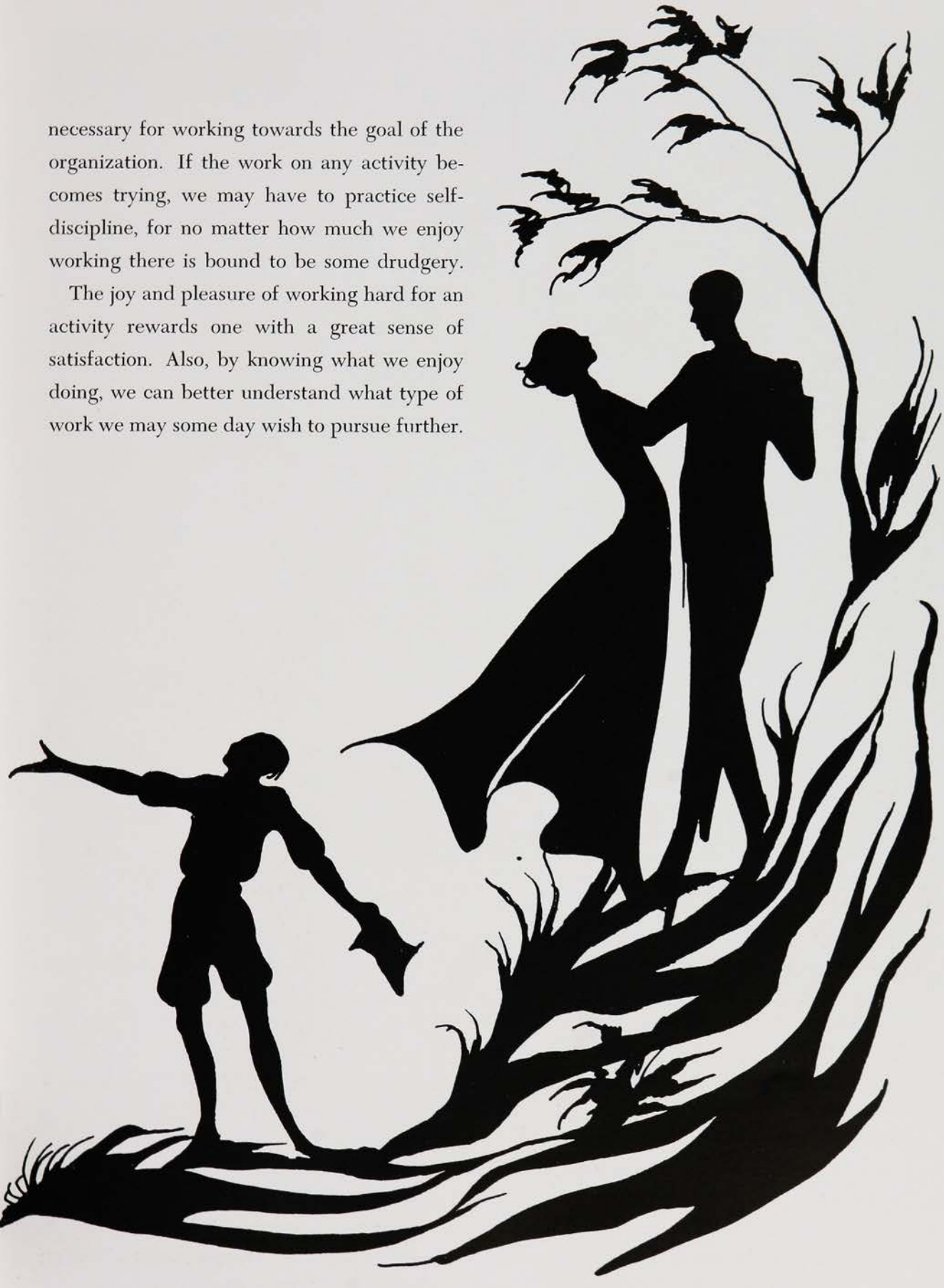


Whether it be caring for children, decorating for a dance or working to meet a publisher's deadline, one has a good chance to work closely with many people. An understanding of one's self and of others stems basically from this association.

The various activities in which everyone at Mount Vernon participates are the setting for such understanding. By taking part in these activities one learns the spirit of co-operation

necessary for working towards the goal of the organization. If the work on any activity becomes trying, we may have to practice self-discipline, for no matter how much we enjoy working there is bound to be some drudgery.

The joy and pleasure of working hard for an activity rewards one with a great sense of satisfaction. Also, by knowing what we enjoy doing, we can better understand what type of work we may some day wish to pursue further.



OPTIMA



First row, left to right: Mary Drew Preston, Nancy Barnes, Charlotte Wallis, Secretary-Treasurer; Doris Dezendorf, Gail Kredel. *Second row:* Marta Miller, President; Mrs. Lloyd, Advisor; Miss Gutheim. *Third row:* Ginger Carnduff, Carter Dunlop, Sandy Mosher, Mary Lou Morton. *Absent:* Joan Brown, Sue Eastland, Kaycee Hough, Gretchen Scherer, Teddy Theobald, Sandy Wolff.

White dresses, red roses, and a gold pin—these are the trademarks of Optima. Actually, Optima is not just an honor society, for in order to become eligible for membership a student must demonstrate that she is a good citizen as well as a good scholar. In keeping with such requirements the object and purpose of the club is to support, maintain, and strengthen an appreciation of high scholarship and citizenship standards.

The Greek letter Omega and a lighted torch make up the tiny, gold pin worn by all members. The former indicates attainment through effort; the latter represents the inspiration that Optima's ideals should represent in the school.

Throughout the year Optima members are hard at work on projects such as acting as official hostesses during the autumn visit of the Alumnae Council, entertaining visiting assembly speakers, and giving a Christmas party for the children of the Friendship House.

The club consists of a president, Marta Miller; a secretary-treasurer, Charlotte Wallis; the advisor, Mrs. Lloyd; an honorary member, Miss Gutheim; and a group of active, enthusiastic members.

CHAPEL GUILD

Each and every day before the start of classes, Mount Vernon students and faculty members gather together to worship God in a non-denominational chapel service. The organization which helps to make this service possible is the Chapel Guild. Its purpose is to bring an awareness of God into the daily life of each student.

The main responsibility of the Guild, as a student organization, is the preparation for morning chapel. Members of the student body and the faculty share in leading the services. The Guild is also responsible for the garlands of fruit which are placed on the chapel altar at Thanksgiving and later given to the Washington Home for Incurables. Last year through the efforts of the Guild, a small chapel room was dedicated in our school. Here the student may spend a few moments in meditation whenever she wishes.

The Chapel Guild's contributions to our daily lives through morning chapel have provided each one of us with inspiration that lasts throughout the day.



First row, left to right: Suzy Starr, President; JoAnna Kern, Ruthie Phillips, Carol Maxwell, Charlotte Wallis, Louise Coker, Pam Simpson, Gail Kredel, Marta Miller, Gretchen Scherer. *Second row:* Mimi Smith, Martha DcDonald, Tilda Webb, Letty McDonald, Patti Bledsoe, Wanda Witt, Penny Millington, Judy Fullerton. *Third row:* Bobby Painter, Liz Brandli, Nancy Fleming, Chris Thomson, Connie Wheeler, Betsy Thompson, Rudy Borland, Janis Wellin, Ginger Carnduff, Ann Collier Taylor.

CELLOPHANE



First row, left to right: Dean Tyndall, Courtney Hagner, Carol Wheeler, Chris Thomson, Carol Lowen, Doris Dezendorf. *Second row:* Ann Warren, Liz Cheatham, Mr. Kleindorfer, Advisor.

With this new school year came a new look to our school's newspaper, *Cellophane*. The full, easy-to-read pages, along with a new column describing one of the latest movies, were enthusiastically received by all the students. The old columns (the gossip column, the teacher and student of the month, sport news, and current events) were somewhat revised. Our school's news was expertly covered by the large newspaper staff headed by the editor-in-chief, Doris Dezendorf, and advised by Mr. Kleindorfer. The editorials written by Doris were interesting and thought-provoking. Throughout the newspaper, also, were jokes, which made even the most serious students laugh.

By living up to the motto of *Cellophane,* "it wraps up the news," the staff has produced an entertaining and newsworthy paper.

CAROUSEL

It is quite a thrill to see your name in print under a poem, essay, or short story that you have written. This is made possible by Mount Vernon's literary publication, *Carousel.* The magazine is edited by the English V class, which selects from the works of student contributors the best writing done at Mount Vernon during the year. One usually receives the *Carousel* the last week of school, and many delightful moments are spent thumbing through the magazine and enjoying its contents. It is often surprising to find the work of some friend who you never realized before could write so well. The appearance of your own work also comes as a complete surprise. If you enjoy writing, whether it be essays, letters, poems or short stories, present them to the English V class. Who knows, *Carousel* could mean the beginning of a literary carrer for you!



First row, left to right: Beverly Elson, Helen Ansell, Marta Miller, Betsy Thompson, Lynn Massel, Miss Tucker, Advisor. *Back row:* Mary Lou Morton, Ruthie Phillips, Barbara Beelar, Sally Quinn, Nancy Barnes.

CUPOLA



ART STAFF—*Kneeling, left to right:* Karen Hatchell, Linda Kefauver. *Second row:* Vicki Voell, Julieta Lacarte, Ann Martin, Helen Ansell, Art Editor; Trink Agar. *Absent:* Marilyn Ball.



LITERARY STAFF—*Seated, left to right:* Micha Iszkowski, Marta Miller, Vaughn Chadwick, Kay Patterson, Barbara Beelar, Literary Editor; Ann Leith. *Standing:* Jackie Heller, Pam Butler, Ann Goldsmith. *Absent:* Nancy Durand.

CUPOLA, our school yearbook, is issued each year in the hope that it will portray a true picture of life at Mount Vernon for the benefit of others as well as ourselves.

The work of editing CUPOLA is divided among four groups: the art, business, literary, and photography staffs which are headed by four capable chairmen and directed by an Editor-in-Chief, who this year was Mary Drew Preston. The assistance of Srta. Carroll as Advisor has proved invaluable in the preparation of the 1959 yearbook.

The entire staff of CUPOLA hopes that the 1959 yearbook lives up to the expectations of you, its reader.



PHOTOGRAPHY STAFF—*First row, left to right:* Suzy Starr, Cissy Lanier, Liz Brandli, Anita MacMillen, Janis Wellin, Rudy Borland, Gina Simmons, Joan McCormack. *Second row:* Prudie McIntosh, Carolyn Cowden, Angie Mead, Lyn McCluney, Lindsay Ament, Louise Price, Gail Kredel, Duch Morton, Kip Robinson, Bonnie Andreae. *Seated at front desk:* Sue Jamison, Photography Editor.

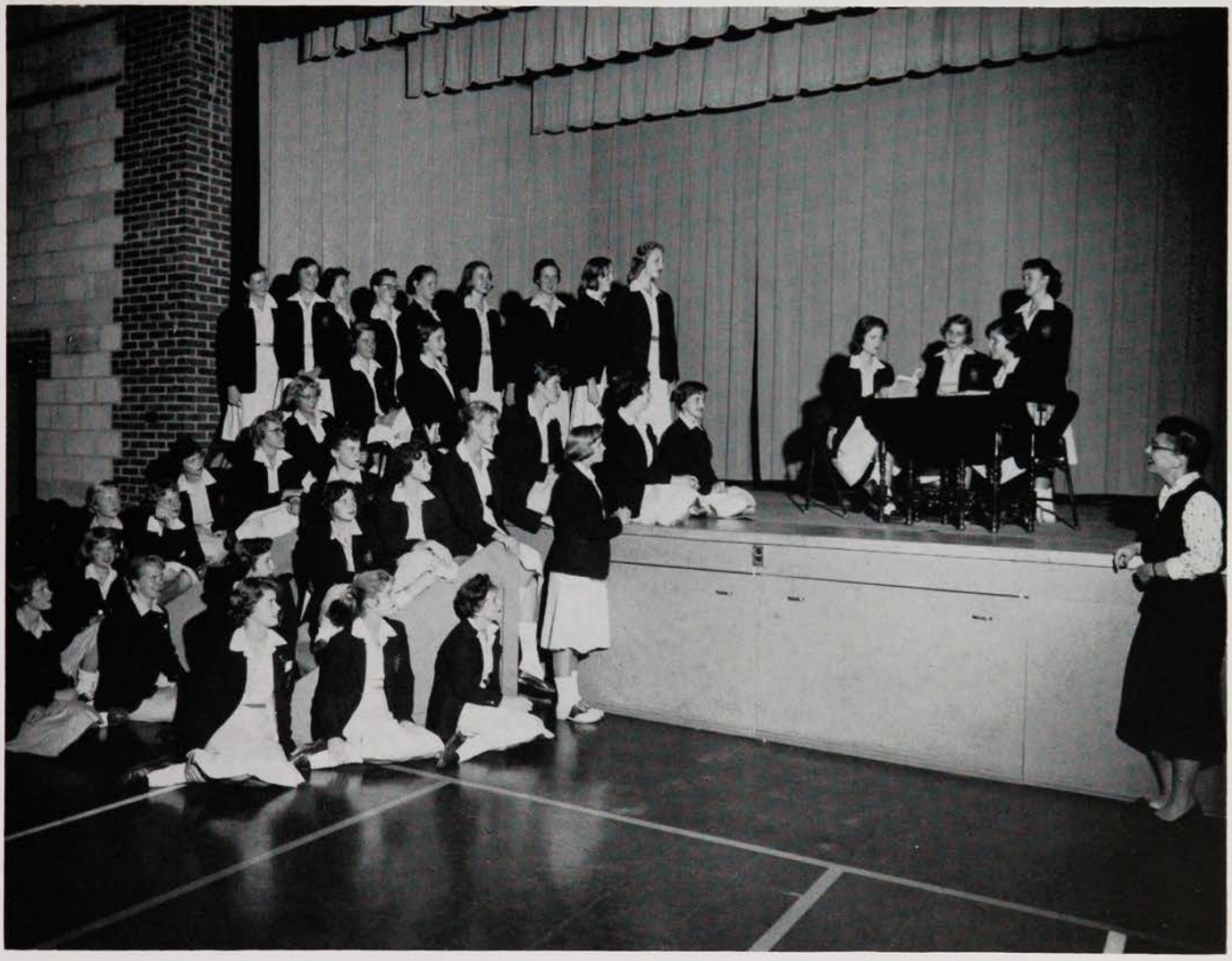


BUSINESS STAFF—*Front row, left to right:* Mary Lou Morton, Business Manager; Diana Devers. *Second row:* Linda Blake, Libby Andreson, Nancy Barnes, Sandy Wolff. *Third row:* Mary Drew Preston, Editor-in-Chief; Carol Cousins, Penny Millington. *Fourth row:* Beverly Elson, Donna Quinn, Carol Maxwell, Srta. Carroll, Advisor. *Absent:* Mary Charlotte Holland, Sue Eastland.

PREP PLAYERS

Lights? . . . Make-up? . . . White Rabbit? . . . Curtain? . . . we're on. Maybe this is a different call than the usual one, but this year the Prep Players chose, after many discussions, "Alice in Wonderland" as their sole production. Everyone tried out for the part she wanted but even if she didn't get it, working on such a large project gave everyone a chance to participate. Some time was also spent studying the various phases of theater production.

The members of Prep Players all agree that the play could not have gone on without the capable assistance of Mrs. Heflin, their advisor, and Ginger Carnduff, their President. When the curtain came down, the members were happy, proud, and relieved, but somewhat sad that their production had come to an end. Now every member is enthusiastically looking froward to another as enjoyable as "Alice in Wonderland."



First row, left to right: Joan Brown, Carolyn Preston, Grace Bell, Ginny Heron. *Second row:* Patsy Toal, Linda Murphy, Kathy Berger, Joan Hock, Diane Morton, Mimi Smith, Sue Irvine, Daidee Matteson, Betsy Howe. *Third row:* Betsy Dunn, Dede Wilson, Kris Breithut, Margaret Nichols, Linda Ainsworth, Judy Igersheimer, Joan Mitchell, Daryl Acheson, Gretchen Scherer. *Fourth row:* Carter Dunlop, Sandy Mosher, Barbara Finch, Kaycee Hough, Harriet Sherby, Sally Quinn, Genie Higgins, Ruthie Phillips, Betsy Thompson. *Seated at table:* Ginger Carnduff, President; Ann Taylor, Treasurer; Bobbie Painter, Vice President; Bonnie Agner, Secretary. *Foot of stage:* Mrs. Heflin, Advisor. *Absent:* Edith Evans, Joyce Diamond, Carol Harris, Cindy Nichols, Shelly Robertson, Nancy Young.

GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club, one of Mount Vernon's most active organizations, is the school choral group. A regular function of Glee Club is singing at the Sunday evening Vesper service presented in Lloyd Hall. In addition to this, it presented two concerts during the school year: a Christmas program and one in conjunction with the Valley Forge Military Academy. It also participated in the production of "Alice in Wonderland" and in the Baccalaureate Service.

One of the special features of the Glee Club this year was the successful presentation of a beautiful Christmas program. The theme of the program was the twelve months of the year. The white chiffon dresses worn by the members were ornamented according to the seasons and many of the songs which were sung were in keeping with this theme. A musical score of the traditional Christmas songs brought the program to a close.

With the help of Madame Brodenova, the director, Mr. Laufman, the accompanist and Pam Simpson, the President, this year's Glee Club has functioned efficiently and produced very enjoyable programs.



At piano: Mr. Laufman, Madame Brodenova, Director. *First row, left to right:* JoAnna Kern, Teddy Theobald, Pam Simpson, President; Ginny Wright, Louisa Arnett, Mollie Babcock. *Second row:* Bonnie Coe, Nancy Fleming, Adele Hall, Louise Coker, Sue Campbell. *Third row:* Betsy O'Leary, Frances Gable, Saint Clare Pratt, Margaret Mack, Mary Elizabeth Cleveland. *Fourth row:* Lili Nelms, Barbara Mack, Debbie Connell, Bonnie Knickerbocker, Wanda Witt, Diane Harrison.



Glee Club Performance

CHRISTMAS AT MOUNT VERNON

Social League Dance





SOCIAL LEAGUE



Left to right: Sherry King, Miss Millar, Advisor, Nancy Durand, President; Carol Cousins, Ginny Heron. *Absent:* Margo Dickson, Beverly Elson.

Something new and different, that was the theme for this year's Social League. The League gave three dances during the year: the Halloween Welcome Dance, the Christmas Formal, and the Commencement Dance. A day student and a boarder were chosen from each class to help plan these dances.

The Welcoming Dance, "the Octoberfest," was a square dance. The gym was gaily decorated in a barn motif. The center of attraction was a stall with two paper mache horses watching the festivities.

The setting for the Christmas Dance, "The Snowflake Fantasy", included a light blue and white canopy with frosty snowflakes dangling from the center. The beautiful room and the excellent band made this evening one of the most memorable of the holiday season.

The Commencement Dance, "Almost Paradise," with a beautiful rose canopy set the stage for truly an unforgettable night, especially for the Seniors.

We are indebted to the Social League for planning and preparing "something new and different" for our dances.

LEND-A-HAND

Through hard work for others, a great sense of satisfaction is achieved. This idea is the basis of the Mount Vernon social service organization, Lend-A-Hand.

With Sue Neuenschwander as President and Miss Ayers and Miss Hadley as Advisors, this past year has been gratifying to all the girls who have energetically participated in the club's activities.

Whether it be caring for children at the Georgetown Neighborhood House, working at the Washington Hospital Center, collecting food and clothing for Saint Patrick's Church, taking a nurse's aid course, or the many other phases of social work, any Mount Vernon girl is sure to find work in which she is interested.

Lend-A-Hand also supports a Greek orphan with monthly checks, clothes, and gifts.

Aside from the experiences of social work, every member of Lend-A-Hand learns the pleasure of giving.



First row, left to right: Nancy Fleming, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer; Genie Higgins, Louisa Arnett, Teddy Theobald, Kip Robinson, Wanda Witt, Trink Agar, Carolyn Cowden. *Second row:* Sandy Wolff, Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. Hadley, Advisor; Sue Campbell, Alice Baker, Duch Morton, Betsy Thompson, Letty McDonald, Martha McDonald, Patty Bledsoe, Penny Millington, Ann Goldsmith, Vicki Voell. *Third row:* Sue Neuenschwander, President; Ginny Heron, Patsy Toal, Cindy Shaw, Betsy Dunn, Ruthie Roberts, Margaret Mack, Janey Davy, Betsy O'Leary, Liz Cheatham, Carol Wheeler, Adele Hall, Carol Lowen. *Fourth row:* Mary Sykes, Saint Clare Pratt, Sue Chapman, Mary Elizabeth Cleveland, Linda Murphy, Diane Morton, Louise Price, Linda Blake, Judy Fullerton, Debbie Connell. *Absent:* Barbara Mack, Page Cannon, Margo Dickson, Betsy Howe, JoAnna Kern, Gail Kredel, Suzy Starr, Harriet Sherby, Carol Maxwell, Sarah Moody, Gina Simmons, Angie Mead, Connie Wheeler.

LIBRARY COUNCIL



Seated, left to right: JoAnna Kern, President; Miss Thomas, Advisor; Mrs. Wood, Advisor; Bonnie Agner. *Standing:* Ginny Heron, Mary Charlotte Holland, Suzann Irvine, Bobbie Painter, Daidee Matteson, Betsy Howe, Lili Nelms, Kay Patterson, Barbara Beelar, Patsy Toal, Ann Martin, Joan Mitchell, Carter Dunlop, Sandy Mosher, Bonnie Coe. *Absent:* Sue Eastland, Carol Wheeler, Wanda Witt.

If you need help in finding books or magazines, or in looking up information in the library, be sure to seek advice from a member of our Library Council. She will cheerfully locate what you need. The Council is composed of a group of girls who have volunteered for working experience in the library. From their duties these girls receive valuable training in many phases of library work. They keep books and magazines in order, prepare new books for circulation, and arrange new displays for the bulletin boards.

Besides this experience, the girls are treated to two parties a year and are excused from paying fines. Then, too, they receive personal satisfaction from assisting fellow students and knowing that they are helping the library to run as smoothly as possible.

Thanks to our Library Council with JoAnna Kern as President, Mrs. Wood and Miss Thomas as our Librarians, we can be proud of our modern library and the efficient way it is managed.



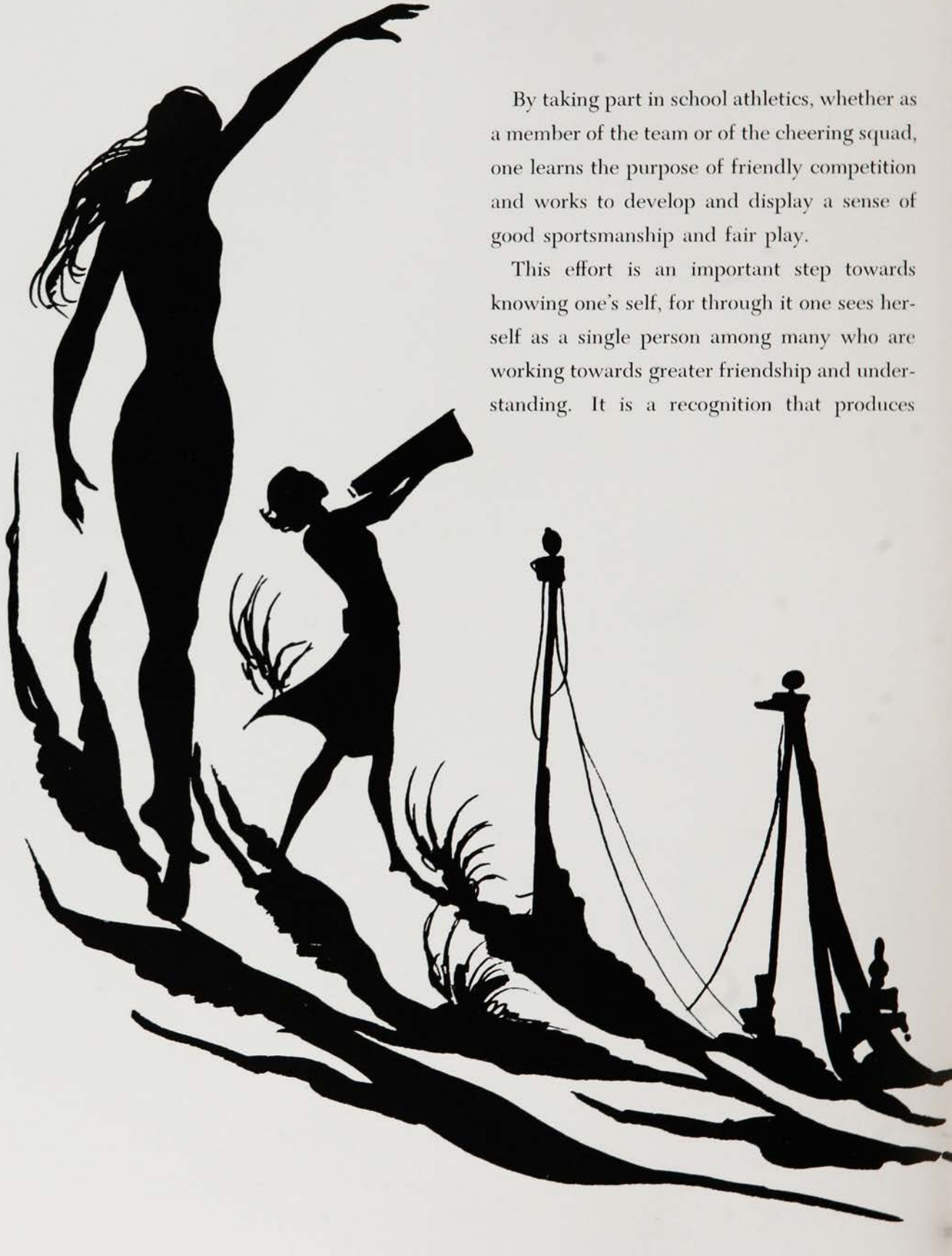
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AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

Thanksgiving Vespers



ATHLETICS



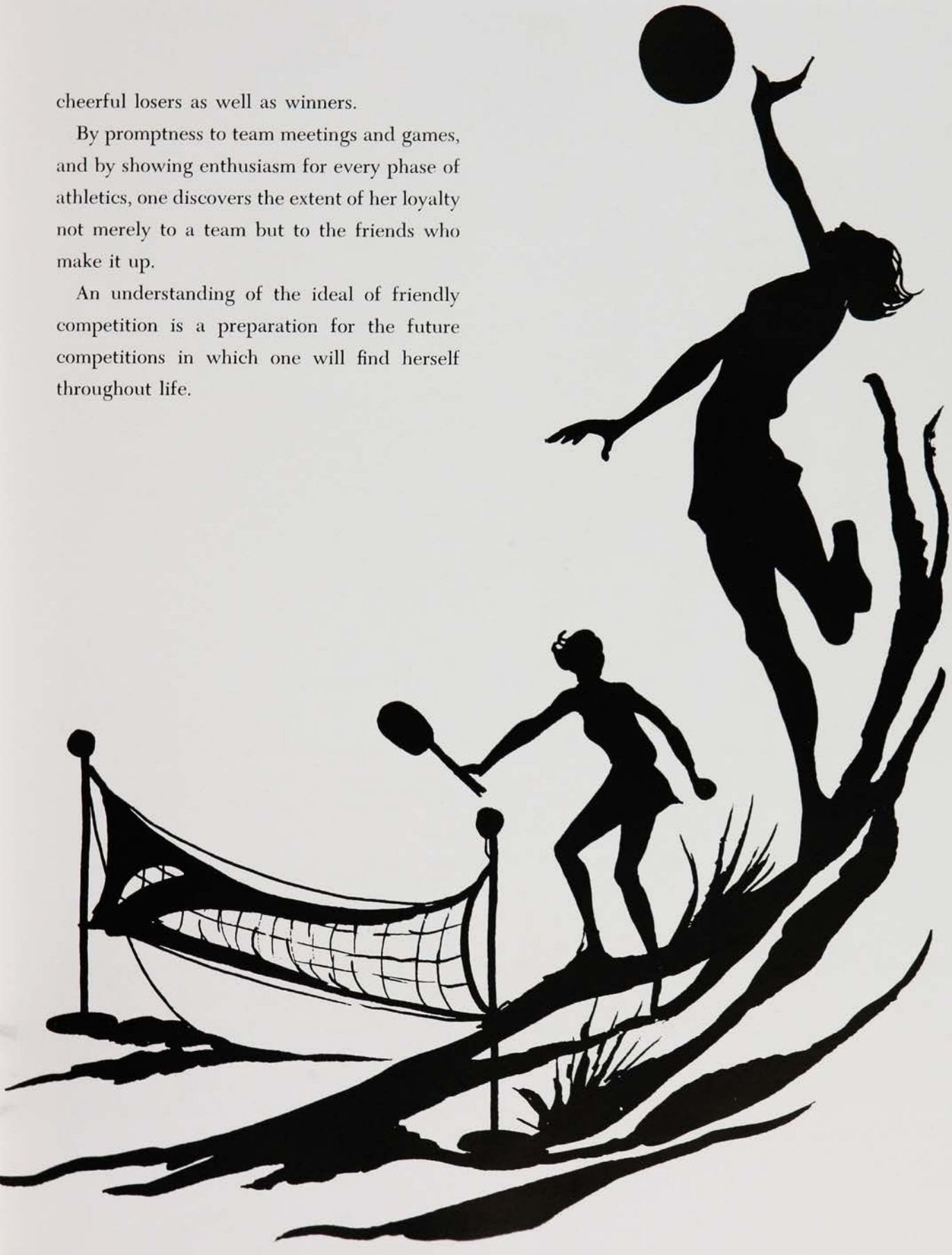
By taking part in school athletics, whether as a member of the team or of the cheering squad, one learns the purpose of friendly competition and works to develop and display a sense of good sportsmanship and fair play.

This effort is an important step towards knowing one's self, for through it one sees herself as a single person among many who are working towards greater friendship and understanding. It is a recognition that produces

cheerful losers as well as winners.

By promptness to team meetings and games, and by showing enthusiasm for every phase of athletics, one discovers the extent of her loyalty not merely to a team but to the friends who make it up.

An understanding of the ideal of friendly competition is a preparation for the future competitions in which one will find herself throughout life.



ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



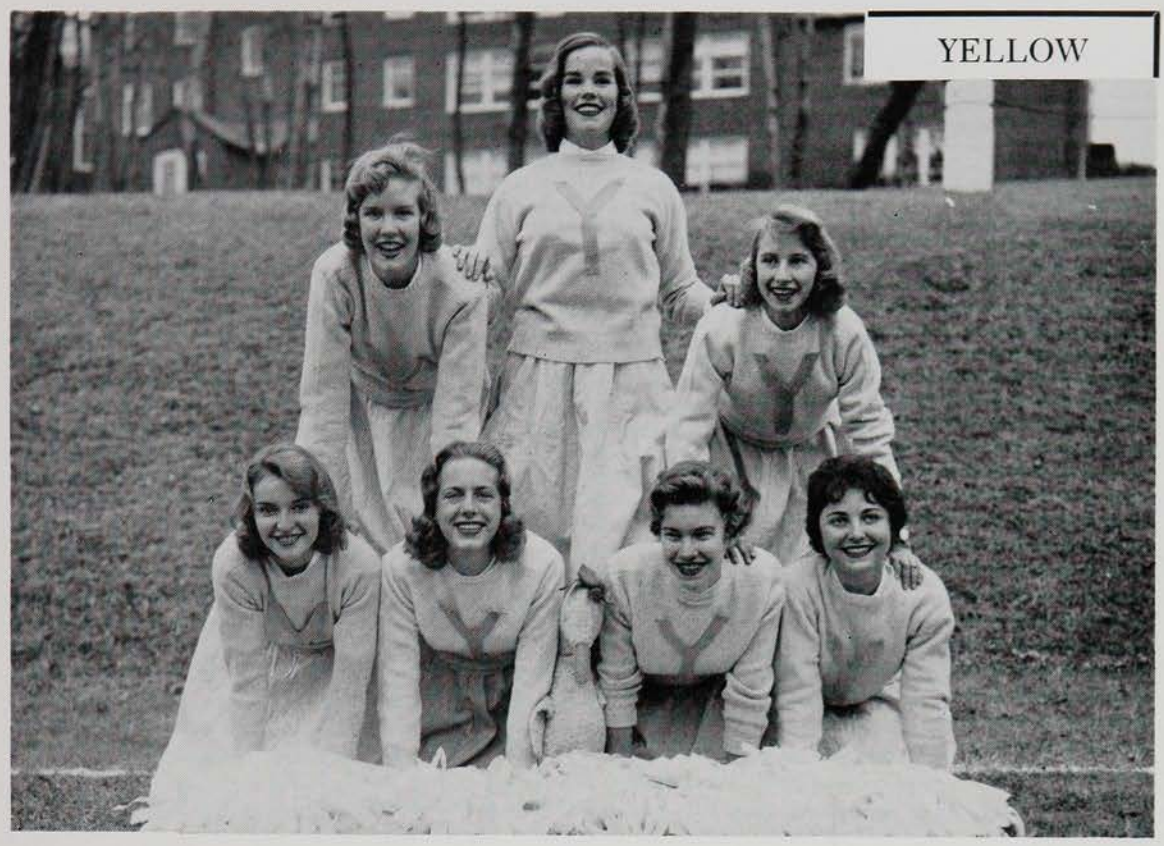
Seated on floor, left to right: Jackie Heller, Carol Wheeler, Lynn Massel. *Second row:* Courtney Hagner, Patti Bledsoe, Mary Liz Brandli, Vice President; Cissy Lanier, President; Margo Dickson. *Absent:* Lindsay Ament, Mrs. Evans, Advisor; Ann Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer.

Hockey, basketball, tennis, softball—these are the keynotes of the activities of our Athletic Association, which fosters and encourages team and school spirit. What student will ever forget the thrill of our A.A. picnic, when all new girls become members of the Yellow or White team; or the excitement of Posture Week? At this time, besides competition in good posture, each team uses the literary, artistic, dramatic, and musical ability of its members to compete for points through songs, poems, skits, slogans, and posters.

Spring brings intra-murals, at which time all students are given a chance to show ability and sportsmanship. Then comes the annual A.A. Banquet. At this time individual and team awards are given out and the new team captains are announced.

Through varied activities the A.A. has contributed to the school's loyalty and made our athletic program more exciting.

CHEERLEADERS



First row, left to right: Doris Dezendorf, Betsy Thompson, Barbara Beeler, Rudy Borland. *Second row:* Shirley Barnes, Ruthie Phillips, Captain; Nancy Young. *Absent:* Fran Gable.



First row, left to right: Nancy Fleming, Connie Wheeler, Captain; Suzy Starr. *Second row:* Ann Goldsmith, Janey Davy, Tilda Webb, Martha McDonald, Ginger Carnduff.

HOCKEY



First row, left to right: Sue Eastland, Liz Brandli, Anita MacMillen, Dean Tyndall, Courtney Hagner. *Second row:* Nancy Gottlieb, Lyn McCluney, Angie Mead, Cissy Lanier, Sue Jamison. *Absent:* Lindsay Ament.

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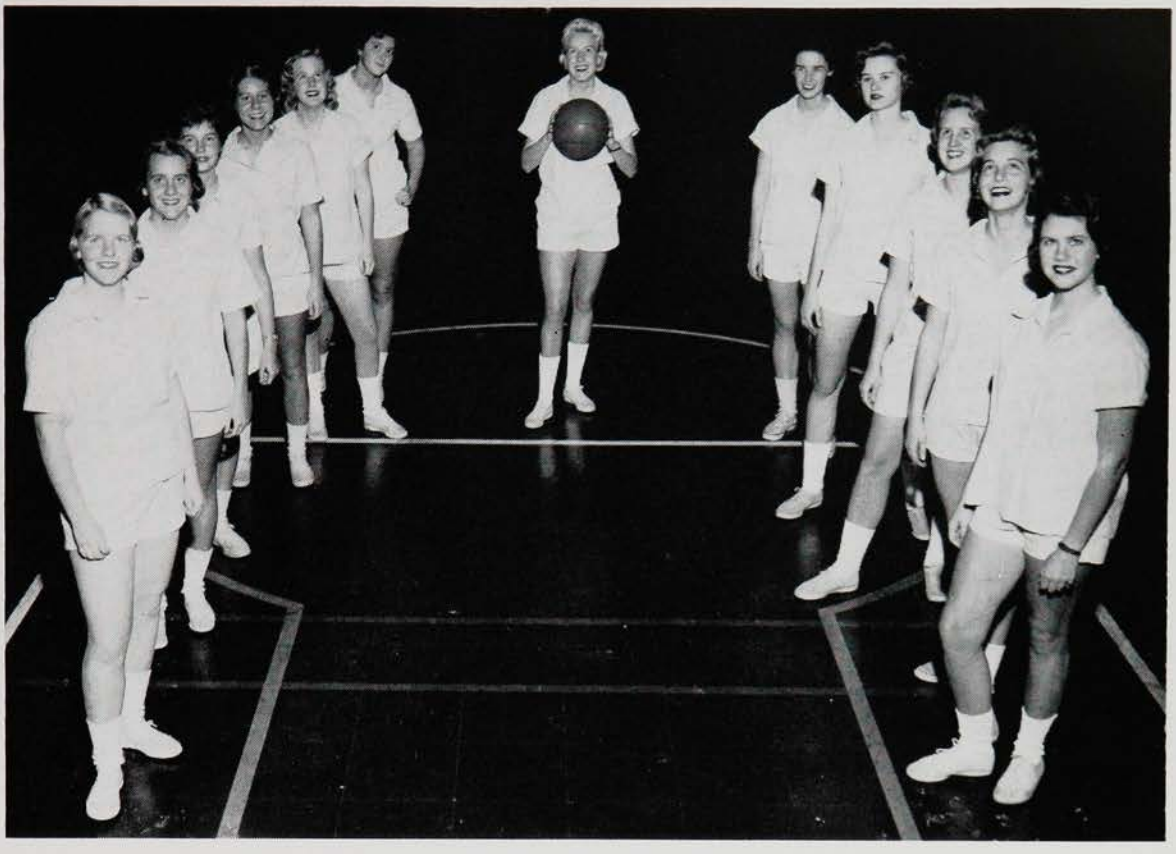
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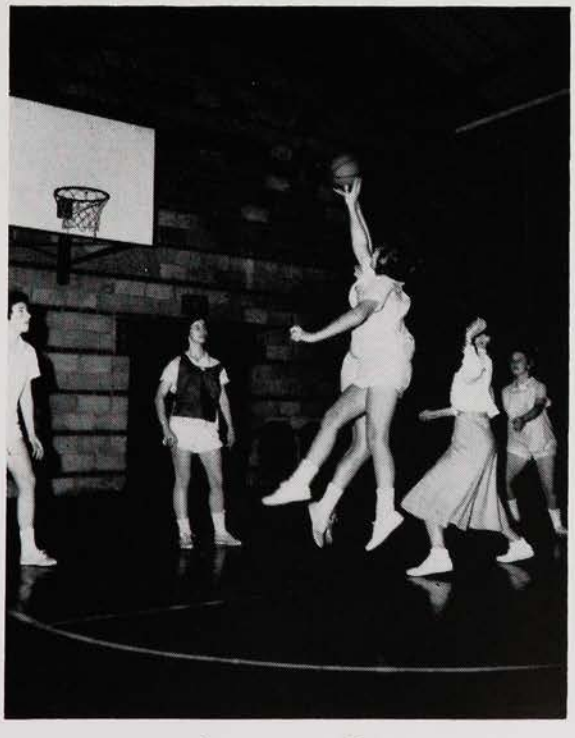


The Team in Action

BASKETBALL



Left side, front to back: Courtney Hagner, Lyn McCluney, Nancy Gottlieb, Anita MacMillen, Liz Brandli, Angie Mead. *Center:* Martha McDonald. *Right side, front to back:* Letty McDonald, Clare McIntyre, Nancy Barnes, Marta Miller, Cissy Lanier. *Absent:* Liz Cheatham, Tilda Webb, Saint Clare Pratt, Patti Bledsoe, Susie Irvine, Ann Martin, Carol Wheeler, Dean Tyndall, Sue Campbell, Ann Gardner, Lindsay Ament.

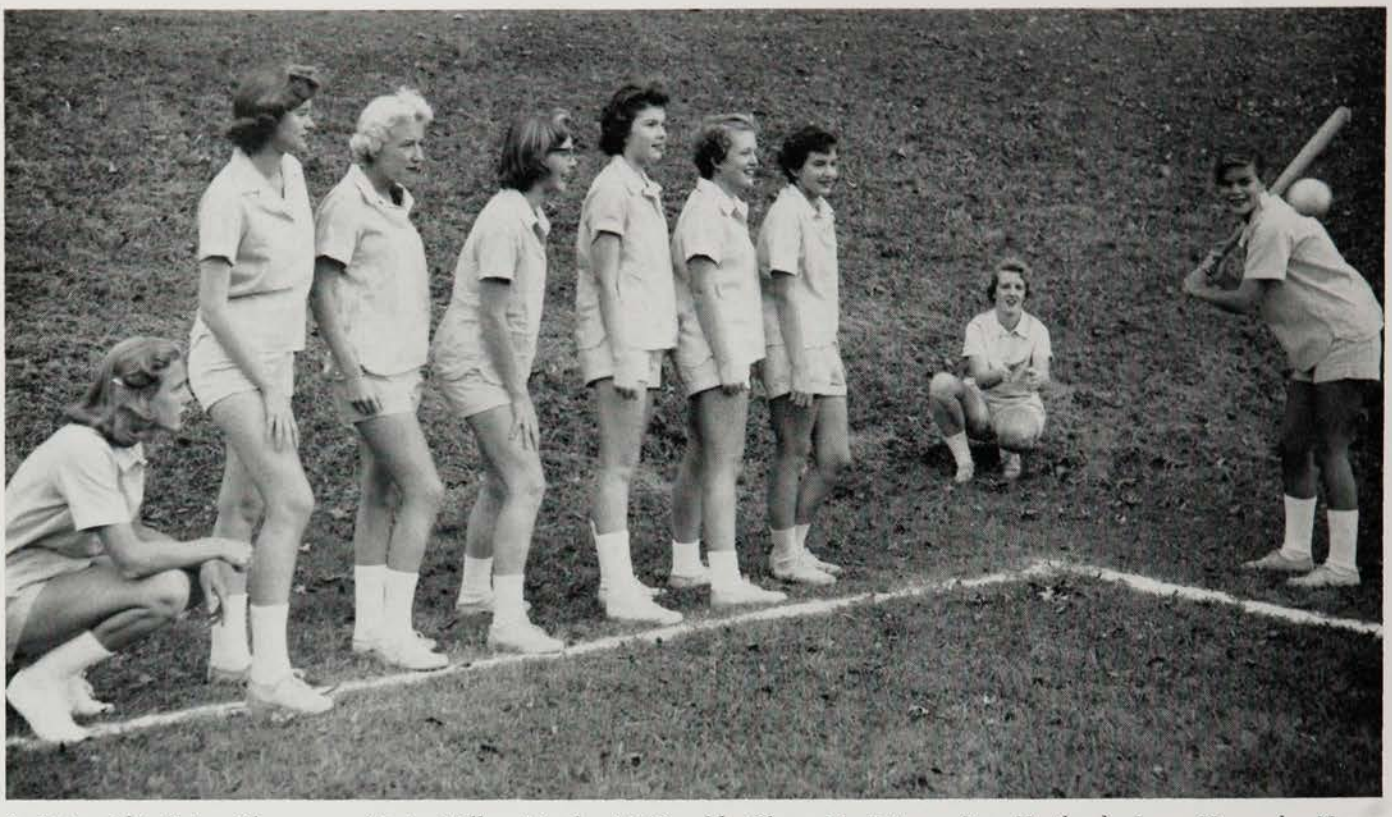


The Jump Shot



Go Team, Go!

BASEBALL



Left to right: Betsy Thompson, Marta Miller, Martha McDonald, Clare MacIntyre, Sue Eastland, Jean Hancock, Nancy Gottlieb, Nancy Barnes. *At bat:* Patti Bledsoe.

TENNIS



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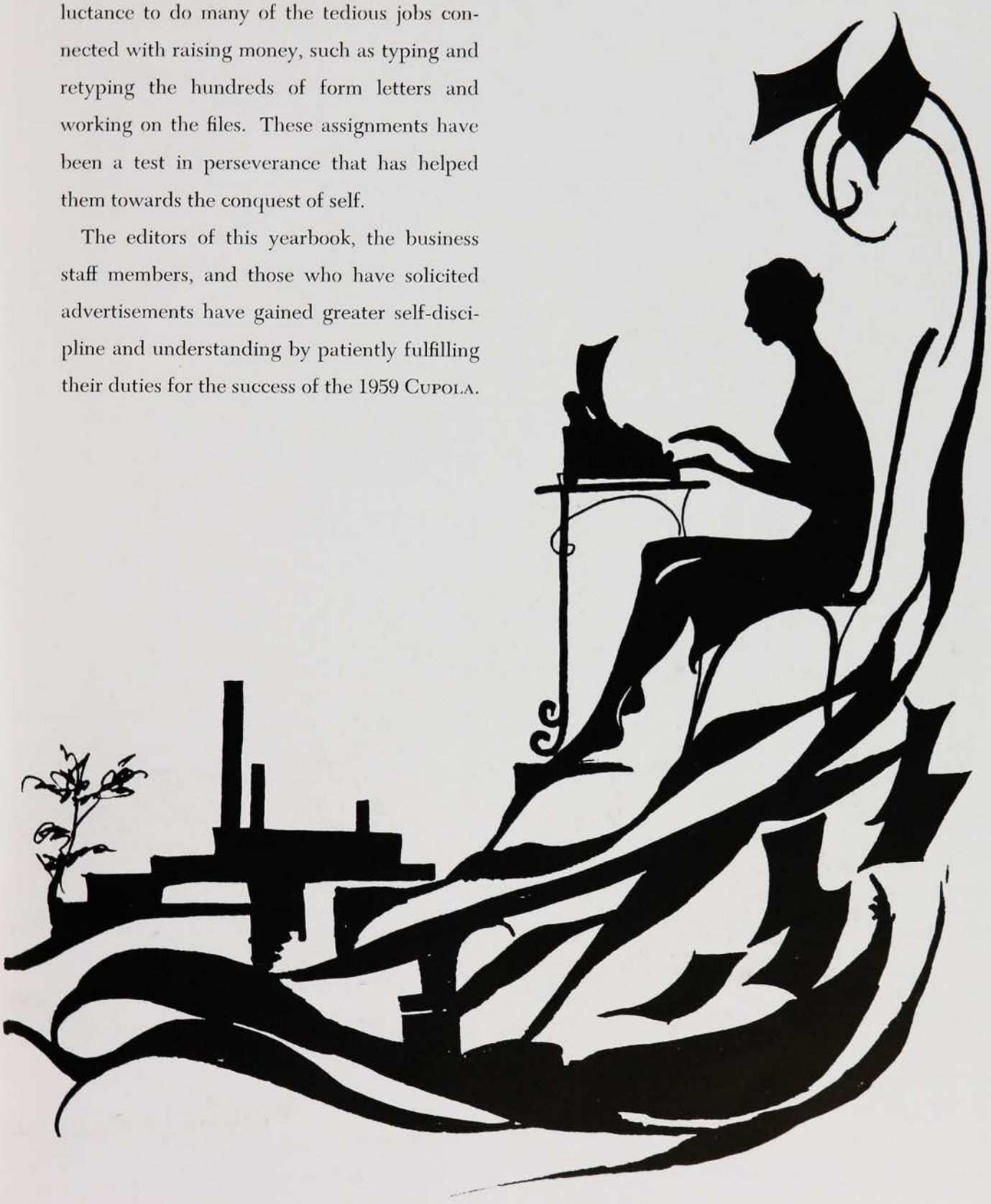


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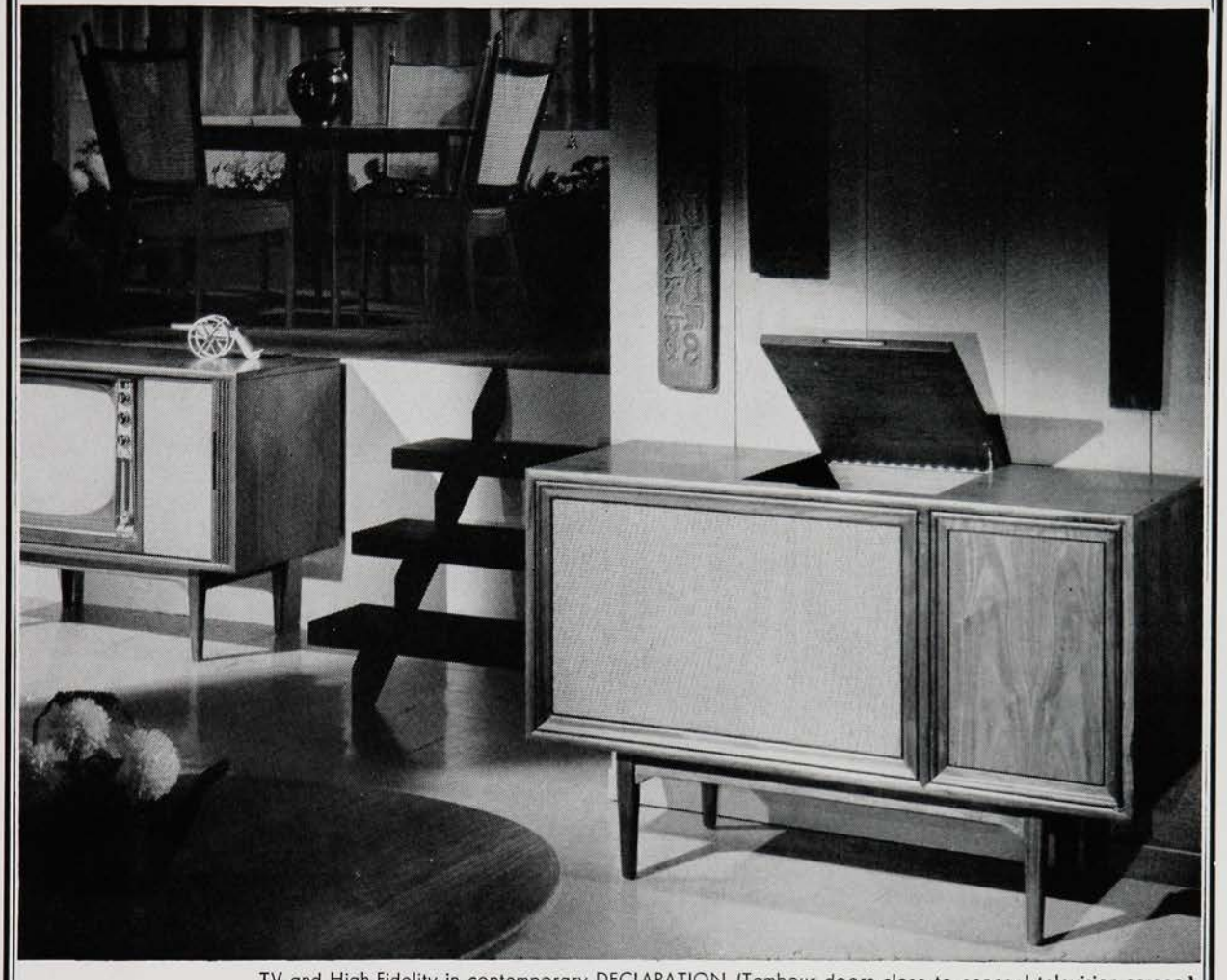
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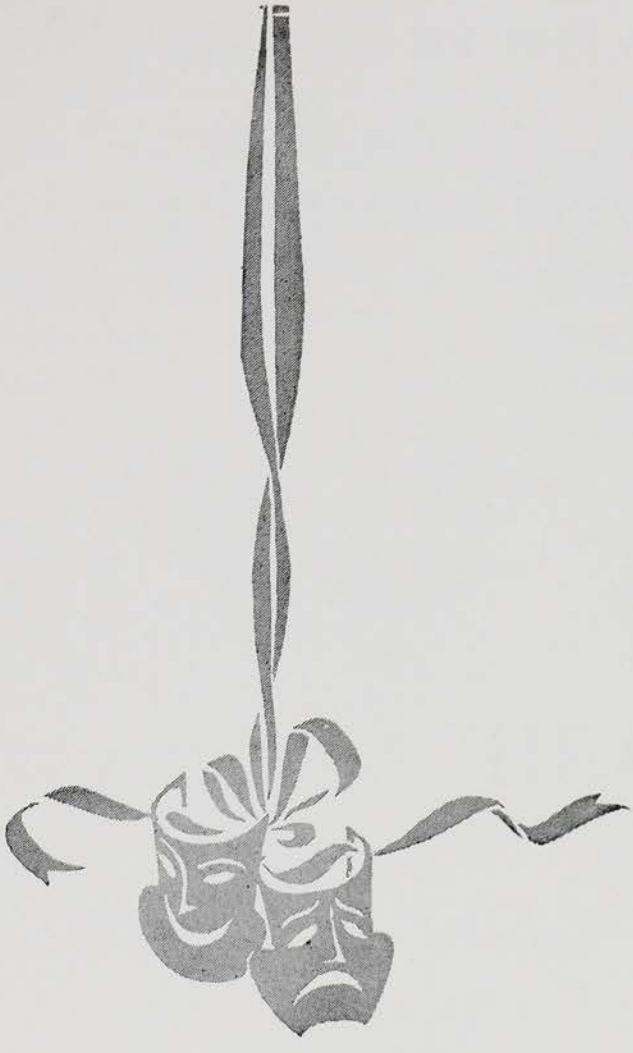
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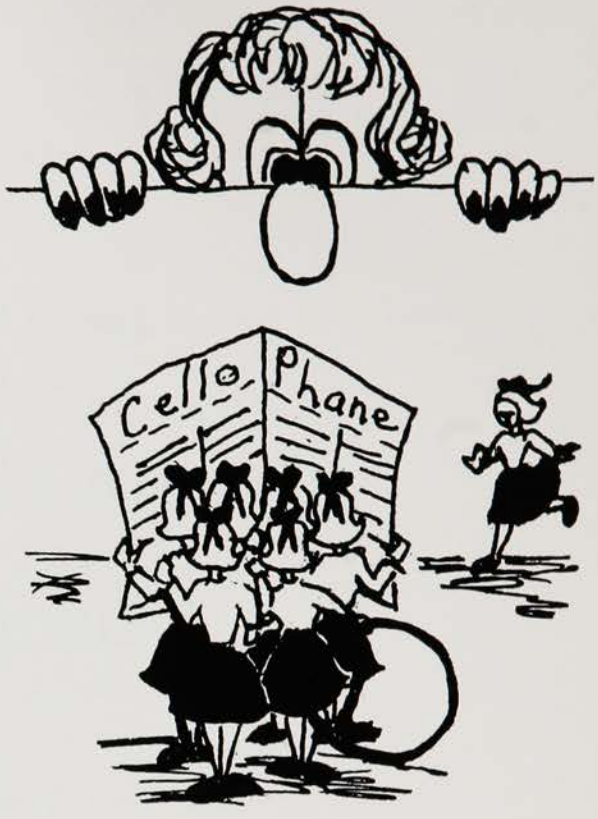
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Lindsay Ament	Feminine	"Side by Side"	Where else?	Worked, of course!
Helen E. Ansell	"Hey, uh . . . Mary, uh . . . Ann . . ."	"Greensleeves"	To become a well-rounded American female	I got my ad
Louisa Arnett	"Weesie"	"Summertime"	To get away from boys	Pull
Nancy Barnes	Barnsey	"Scarlet Ribbons"	Only takes 10 minutes to get here from my house	Sweat!
Barbara Beelar	Barb	"In the Still of the Night"	Don't know	Teachers couldn't stand me for another year
Patti Bledsoe	Frosty	"So Lonesome I've got the Ivy League Blues"	The swimming pool and SAE House	Cocktails at 5:15 study hall
Pam Butler	Jayne	"As Time Goes By"	Can't read signs	Daydreaming
Louise Coker	"Lulu"	"Whatever Lulu Wants, Lulu Gets"	To get educated	By marking off days in Mrs. Lowry's class 'til . . .
Margo Burd Dickson	Camel—Burd	"Tiger Rag"	Well——?	On thoughts of the future
Nancy Liggett Durand	Nance	"St. James Infirmary"	I woke up one morning and here I was	It wasn't easy
Beverly Elson	Bev	"The Song from Moulin Rouge"	I got in the wrong line at the Post Office and . . .	Duh—Tain't easy
Ann Goldsmith	"Annie"	"Charlie Brown"	Je ne sais pas!	I hate to tell
Micha Iszkowski	Micha	"La Vie en Rose"	I wish I knew	I wonder
Sue Jamison	"Bug"	"A Rebel Without a Cause"	To become educated	Did I?
Linda Kefauver	"Eloise"	"Hey Doll Baby"	I was a public high school reject	By social climbing
JoAnna Kern	Jo	"I'm in the Mood for Love"	Your guess is as good as mine	With the help of the "Big D"
Mary Gail Kredel	"Mitch"	"Volare" and "Fake Out"	The "Indiana Boys" were occupying *too* much of my time.	Dexadrine and the midnight oil
Rosalind Vereen Lanier	Cissy	"Hot Nuts"	Seeing that 15 other relatives came here I decided to join the crowd	By modulating my voice
Carol Maxwell	"Dizzy"	"Lovers Never Say Good-bye"	I was forced	The "Big D" with Jo
Ann Martin	"Annie"	"Younger Than Springtime"	I heard about the Fieldhouse	They thought I was a threat to the Chemistry lab
Lynn Massel	"Tweedledum"	"Memories to Remember"	We all make mistakes	Don't count your chickens before they're hatched
Letitia Mebane McDonald	"Letty"	"Hot Nuts"	Get away from the "Steady One"	E.H.S. Junior year, Severn Senior year
Martha McDonald	"Hallie"	"I'm in the Jailhouse Now"	To shake hands with "Ike"	Letters from the Citadel
Marta Miller	Minnie	"I'm in the Mood for Love"	To wear Marie Gannon Originals	S.D.H. Club meetings with Barnes
Penny Millington	"Poo"	"Around the World in 80 Days"	Because M.V.S. was the only place that would accept me	Believe it or not, I worked
Mary Lou Morton	M. Lou	"Put Another Nickel In"	To get coordinated	Clumsily
Millinda Morton	Duch	"Poor Boy"	Eeny, meeny, miney, moe	Dream
Sue Neuenschwander	"Nunu"	"Smoke Gets in Your Eyes"	Only place that would take me	Everybody felt sorry for me!
Barbara Elizabeth Painter	Bobbie or Peanut	"There's No Business Like Show Business"	I followed some *smoke* signals	Winked at Mr. Kleindorfer!
Ruthie Phillips	Agnes Gooch	"The Wayward Boy"	The guards were cute	Luck, No Doze, and Name Dropping
Mary Drew Preston	Mame	"Why Is Everybody Always Picking on Me"	Well . . .	"Problems, Problems"
Sally Quinn		"Beats There a Heart so True"	"The bait hides the hook"	You can fool some of the people all of the time . . .
Pamela Longmier Simpson	Pam	"Why Was I Born(?)"	I was forced. Why else?	Cheated
Suzy Starr	"Tex"	"It's Only Make Believe"	That's for other people to guess	Have you ever heard of "bluffing"?
Ann Collier Taylor	B. F.	"Bonaparte's Retreat"	Expelled from local high school	Collaboration
Theodora Theobald	Teddy	"My One Sin"	"High Society"	"I Cried a Tear"
Betsy Thompson	"Bets"	"On, Brave Old Army Team"	On a bet	Sweat, sweat, and sweat!
Victoria Mae Voell	Vicki	"Birth of the Blues"	For a change	With hope
Connie Wheeler	"Wheeler"	"Scotch 'n Soda"	Just one of those things	Je ne sais pas!
Elizabeth Wolff	Sandy	"Whiffenpoof Song"	I wanted a change! Ha!	With a flashlight and no-doze
Virginia Wright	Jin or Ginney	"Scotch and Soda"	Heard about the hot water in D. C.	Hope I did!

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Brunette crew-cuts	Only four more years to go	Never the same one	To co-star in a performance called "Mr. and Mrs."
Blond flat-tops	Have a blast	The Barn	Trap some unsuspecting boy
Anne, Courtney, Lyn, Sarah	Go Yellows Go!	Metropole in NYC (my private plane flies me)	To play first string football at OKLAHOMA
Bright redblazers	Viva!!	Canoe U.	To sing at the "Hungry i"
That ivy league Joe College . . .	Underclassmen! Avoid those Woodberry boys and you'll survive	The library—try again	To fill the vacancy for the soprano in the Kingston Quartet
"Beater"	Whoopee!	Key and Seal Club but preferably 332 Solive Hall	Come now!
Geometry	Ah—men!	Basement of King Charles Hotel	To play first trombone for Lester Lanin (does Lester Lanin have trombones?)
Saints	Toujours gai, Toujours gai	Princeton	To be a Chem. Major
L'Amour	None, I'm brainwashed	A black M.G.	Who's ambitious?
I like a smoke	I like to come back (for a visit)	The Moon	To be able to write English correctly
Daddy's oranges	25th Reunion	Field House	To live, love, and be happy
Tennessee	Just think, only four more years of school	"The Chateau"	Make enough money to pay the Alumnae bills
Collegiate men	Maggie who?	Vinnie's Vineyard	To be a Fuller Brush man
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Little trips to big places	Wish ya' luck	The "8"	Stay clear of arguments
Eating	I hate leaving that lab	Anywhere with a weed	To speed up!
Ice Cream	"Leave your worries on the doorstep"	Somers and hag parties	To be an Auntie Mame
Sigma Chi's at U.N.C.	"Give me liberty or give me death"	Town House	College
The rec room on Saturdays and Sundays	White Team Spirit's Never Gonna Die!	"Benny's"	To meet the school switchboard operator face to face
Ah men! (F.G.K, Jr.)	Save your Confederate money, gals, the South shall rise again!	Okefennoke Swamp	To manufacture Kickapoo Joy Juice
Warren Lewis	Only four more years and I will be a married woman	How I wish it could have been Lehigh	To be the wife of Warren Lewis and the mother of his three children
Money	Next week we *must* get organized	The Green Box	To win friends and influence people
Monkeys	Be good!	New York	Be an Alumna
Food	Good luck!!	Rec room—Fieldhouse	Get married
Blond Sigma Chi's	Who is leaving?	Washington and Lee University	I want'a be evil!
Jack Paar	Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow you may diet	Florence's	Publish another yearbook
People	"You've gotta have heart"	MHOLR	Patience
A fool and his money are soon parted	"Give me liberty or give me death"	"All roads lead to Rome"	"Live and learn"
Boys in uniforms	Adiós!	Smoking room	To see all of you in the future
That field house	It's beyond me!	Washington and Lee University, maybe	To be a graduate of *Vassar*
"Bobby"	All's well that ends well	Street corner	To become an educated bum
"Love Letters"	'See you later, Alligator"	"Wish I Knew a Hideaway"	"A Band of Gold"
West Point Cadets	Eat, drink, and be merry	Fort Putnam (Plebe Flirtation Walk)	To work in the government and then join "The Long Grey Line," one way or another
Thinking	Bonnie and Penny are precious	At home asleep	To be able to add, multiply, and divide
Fraternity brothers	Keep smiling, have faith	Louisville (eh, Cissy?)	Be a "wild child from the shades of the Everglades" (what, Suzy?)
Men over 22	It only hurt for a little while	Under the clock	To see how many more grades I can repeat
Crude ones and Midshipmen	Bye, bye, loneliness	14th and G Streets	To learn how to tell time

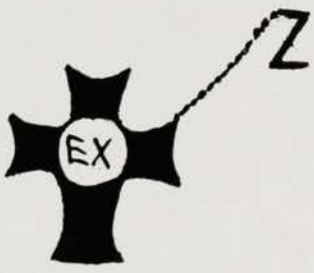
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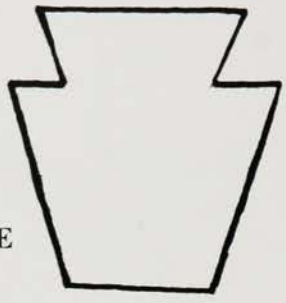
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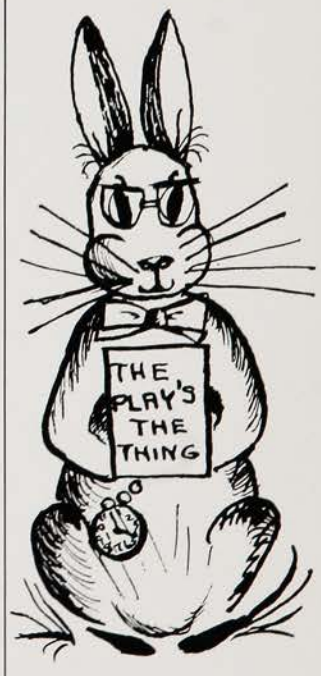
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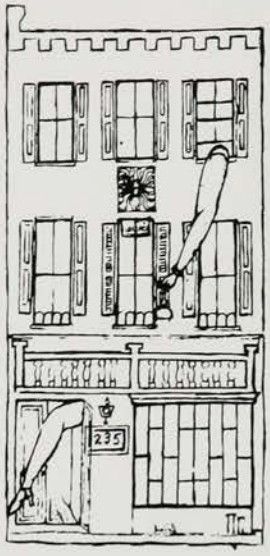
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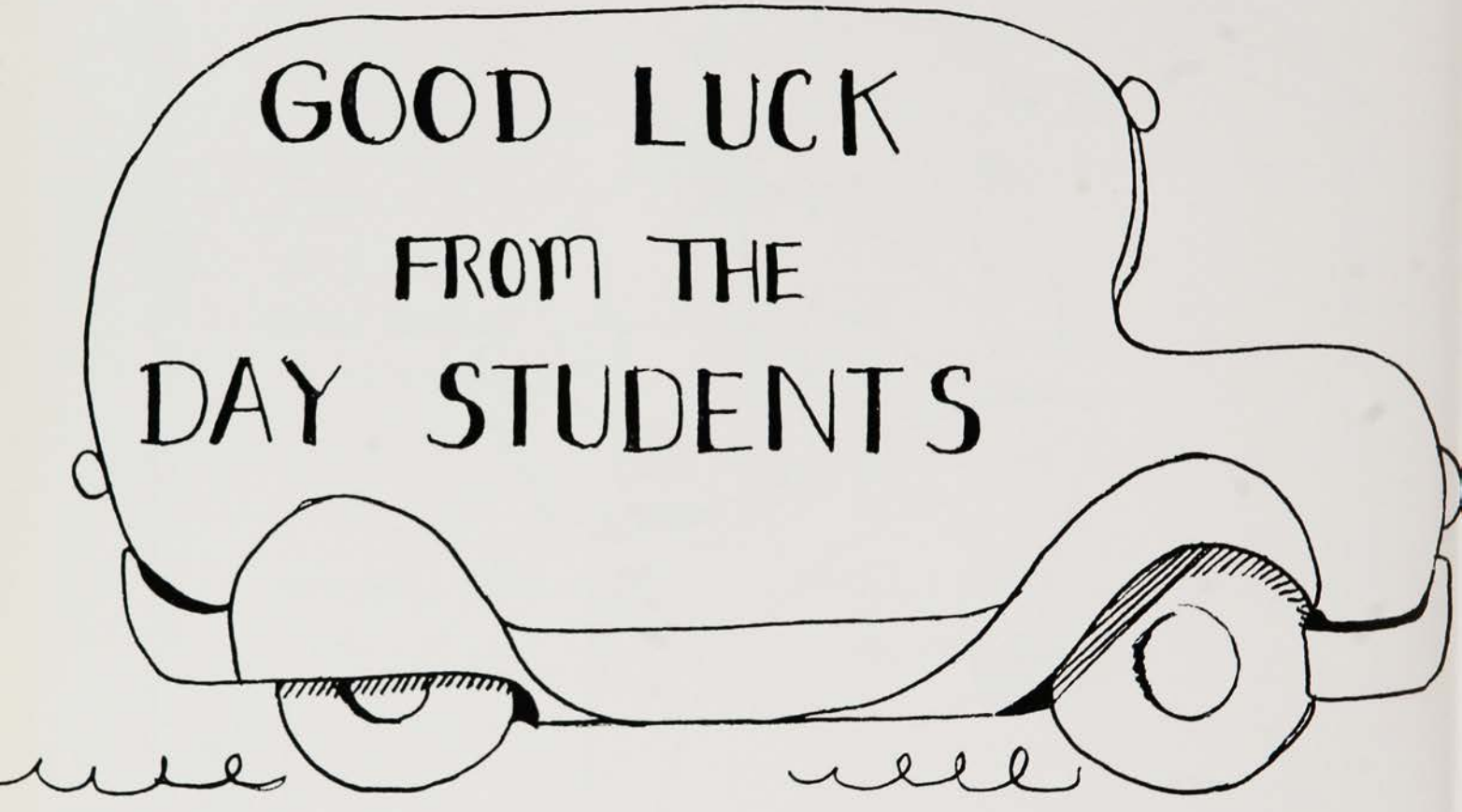
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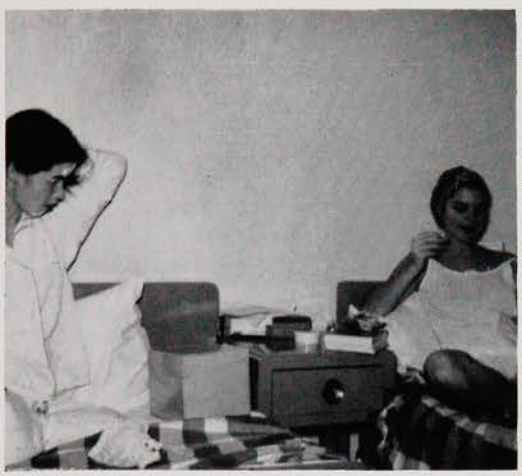
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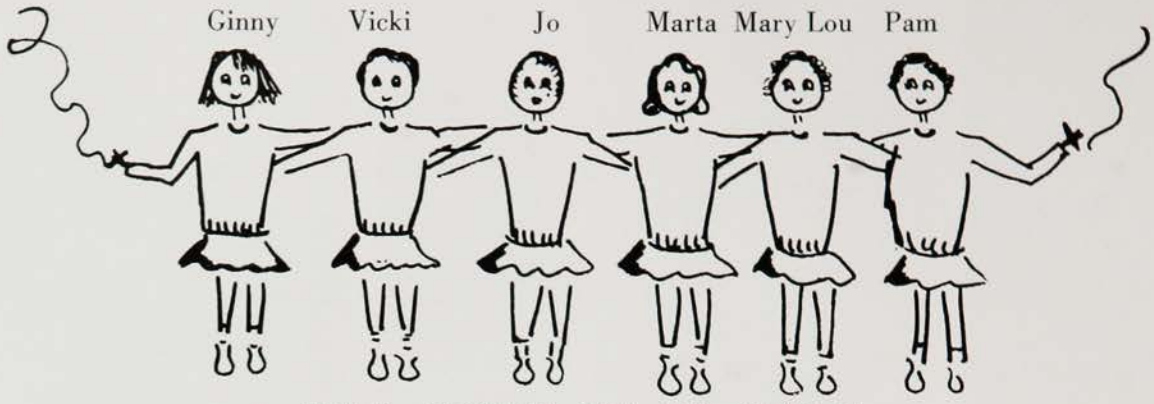
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